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WARD 8 STORM CENTRE OF THE CITY ELECTION

FITZGERALD CALLS POLICE FOR MORE

Democratic Candidate for Mayor Had Been Ordered From Polling Place, but Insisted on Right to Remain---Charges of Interference in Behalf of Frothingham There and in South Boston

Snapshot by a Boston American Photographer.
CANDIDATE FROTHINGHAM PREPARING TO VOTE IN PRECINCT 9, WARD 11

John F. Fitzgerald demanded additional police protection in his interest in Ward 8 to-day, after an exciting clash between himself and Warden David Mancovitz, in Precinct 2, where a policeman was ordered to eject the Democratic candidate for Mayor, but refused to do so when Mr. Fitzgerald declared that he had a right to be there.

No arrests were made and Mr. Fitzgerald after a time left to call upon President Cole of the Police Board and ask for more policemen. This was the most exciting incident of the liveliest election forenoon that Boston ever saw. So heavy was the early voting that politicians made the prediction that the vote might reach 100,000 out of a possible 112,838 vote in the city.

Warm Time in Ward 8.

In Ward 8, of which Martin M. Lomasney is the leader, the Frothingham men claim that their candidate is getting a large vote and the Fitzgerald adherents declare that they are having a hard time in getting their vote cast, because of interference from their opponents in that bailiwick.

The story that comes from the rock-ribbed Democratic realm of South Boston is of a smilar character. The Frothingham men assert that the Republican candidate is receiving a heavy vote from the Democrats, and they are accordingly jubilant. The Democrats in that section assert that they are perfectly confident of the result.

OFFICER STARTED TO OBEY.

When Councilman Mancovitz ordered Policeman Fay to put Mr. Fitzgerald out of the booth, Daniel T. O'Donnell, Fitzgerald's secretary, says that Patrolman Fay raised his hands to obey the mandate but stopped when former Congressman Fitzgerald said:

"You don't dare to do it. You have no right to put me out. I insist upon my 'checker' being given his rights."

Then it is said the policeman lowered his hands and took no further action, although Councilman Mancovitz repeatedly said to him:

"Put the whole crowd out. Clear the booth."

The prelude to this exciting incident was the complaint made to former Congressman Fitzgerald by his "checker," that Ward Mancovitz was crowding him from the rail. The candidate for Mayor, his brother, James F. Fitzgerald, President W. T. A. Fitzgerald of the Democratic City Committee and O'Connell were touring the voting booths of the city in an automobile.

When Former Congressman Fitzgerald heard the complaint he and the others immediately entered the booth and protested to the Warden. Their entrance caused a sensation, but it was intensified when those present heard the candidate for Mayor demand that his checker have a chance at the rail.

"Put them all out!" said Warden Mancovitz to Policeman Fay of the Joy street station in reply.

COMPLAINS TO CHAIRMAN COLE.

But the policeman did not obey and the Fitzgerald party finally left the booth. There they met Police Sergeant Taylor of the Joy street station, and Candidate Fitzgerald repeated his complaint to him. When the party arrived at the East Boston ferry they met, coming from the boat they were to take, Chairman Cole of the Board of Police Commissioners. He was in his automobile. He had been touring election precincts in East Boston.

Candidate Fitzgerald repeated the story and said:

"I demand additional police protection for my men in Ward 8."

"I will direct Superintendent of Police Pierce to investigate," replied Police Chairman Cole.

When the Fitzgerald party returned to the Quincy House rooms which they are occupying to-day, another complaint from Ward 8 was heard. Edward Keevin and John Farley, two Fitzgerald workers there, had rushed to the hotel from the Lomasney stronghold.

"Mancovitz," they told Candidate Fitzgerald, "is asking voters to vote for Frothingham."

This startling statement caused immediate activity in the Fitzgerald headquarters.

President W. T. A. Fitzgerald, of the Democratic City Committee, hastened to the office of the Board of Election Commissioners, to whom Mancovitz is subordinate as warden, to enter a protest.

Secretary O'Connell hurried to Pemberton square to make further complaint at Police Headquarters.

PRESIDENT BOLTON PROTESTS.

President Fred Bolton of the Republican City Committee caused some excitement in Ward 21 by going to the Dudley Street Police Station and complaining that in some precincts Fitzgerald men were wearing badges. Bolton told Police Captain Curran that he thought this was against the law.

He telephoned to police headquarters for instructions, and when Police Superintendent Pierce arrived in an automobile the two officers discussed the complaint. They telephoned to headquarters for instructors, and were informed that "checkers" in and out of the booths could wear badges.

"The phenomenally large vote to-day, it is asserted, is the result of the arousal of the stay-at-home element of the population, and the Republicans are claiming that it will benefit Frothingham, while the

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ELECTION EXTRAS

Watch for the BOSTON AMERICAN Election Extras to-night.

Editions will be issued at brief intervals throughout the evening, giving the returns as fast as they are counted.

WHERE TO GET THE RETURNS.

The BOSTON AMERICAN will display election returns in front of its office at Summer and Devonshire streets to-night.

This will be the best place to see the returns.

Election extras will be issued by the BOSTON AMERICAN throughout the evening.

FEAR MISSING TECH STUDENT HAS MET HARM

Class mates and friends are anxious regarding the whereabouts of Cassar Ferreira, a South American student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who disappeared from his lodging place at No. 45 St. Botolph street, November 6, and has not been seen since. All his belongings, so far as is known, are still in the room he occupied, and a note on the door, reading, "Out; will return soon," written in both English and Spanish, gives the impression that Ferreira did not intend to remain away when he left.

The son of a wealthy merchant of Montevideo, young Ferreira was well liked by his classmates and had scores of friends both in and out of his school life. He had no bad habits so far as is known and his friends can assign no reason for his strange disappearance.

Gilberto Lassier, with whom Ferreira came to this country and who roomed in the same building, is very anxious about the disappearance of his friend, fearing that harm has befallen him.

Ferreira attended his classes at the Tech on November 6, which is the last time any of his instructors saw him. From that time onward he has been marked "absent" on all the reports. For the first week or two nothing was thought of his absence.

As the weeks went by, however, the instructors began to question friends of the young man in an endeavor to find out what had become of him. Lassier, his classmate and friend from home, said to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter to-day: "I do not know what has happened. We were very dear friends and I wish to find him. He took nothing with him, although he always had a fairly large sum of money with him. All his clothes are in my keeping and will be with me when he comes back, if he does. He has not gone home, as we have looked for his name at steamship offices.

POPE ANNOYED BY DEMAND FOR RED HAT IN U. S.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Rome to the Exchange Telegraph Company says that until the last moment before the Consistory at which four new Cardinals were appointed the Pope was inundated with appeals, recommendations and petitions to create an American Cardinal. His Holiness, annoyed by the persistence of the petitioners, is reported to have exclaimed:

"When the time comes for the creation of another American Cardinal it is not likely that he will be either Archbishop Ireland, Archbishop Farley or Archbishop Ryan."

The Pope read an allocution at the Consistory, in which he regretted that the sufferings of the times did not allow him to offer the Cardinals consoling tidings. He said it was true that the Catholic faith was continually spreading throughout the world, but when he reviewed the Catholic nations he was filled with sadness, fearing the Scriptures were being fulfilled and their kingdom was being taken from them and given to others.

It had been expected in some quarters that His Holiness would issue a solemn protest against the separation of Church and State in France, but he only referred to the matter indirectly, saying he was filled with anxiety regarding a country which had been known as the Church's eldest daughter, but would take a more opportune time to animadvert exhaustively on the anti-Catholic laws there.

His Holiness concluded by exhorting his hearers to prayer on behalf of the suffering and persecuted Church.

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Lightship Lost, Crew Saved After Hard Fight

FEARS FOR GUNBOAT

Wasp Missing Since Saturday Morning; Sister Vessel in Search for Her.

NEWPORT, Dec. 12.—Grave fears are felt at the naval training station here for the safety of the little gunboat Wasp, which, with fifty men on board, is believed to have gone ashore on Nantucket Shoals on Saturday, just before the Sunday storm broke in all its fury, and for the gunboat Hist, which left yesterday morning to go to her assistance.

No word has been received from either boat since she left Newport, and the officials at the training station fear that the Wasp has been broken up by the terrible seas and all on board lost.

"We are alarmed at the continued absence of the Hist and the Wasp," said Commander S. E. Sawyer of the training station to a BOSTON AMERICAN reporter to-day. "There is no news. That is all we can report as good news.

"The Hist had only four days' rations aboard. Those would be exhausted to-day. The Wasp, out longer than the Hist, had only three days' rations. So you can see what the situation is aboard of her.

"Still, we have hope."

The Wasp, with fifty men and three days' provisions on board, left here Saturday morning to go to the aid of the brig Harry Smith, which was practically helpless, twenty-five miles out in Vineyard Sound from Newport. Since the storm cleared the Harry Smith has been reported safe, and boats have been sent to her, but no one on board saw or heard anything from the Wasp.

Old seamen here declare that the condition of the wind was such that the Wasp could not have been blown very far to sea, and that they cannot imagine what has become of her unless, as they fear, she is ashore on the shoals.

FEAR WASP DOOMED.

If this is the case, they say, she undoubtedly is doomed. The Wasp is the converted yacht Columbia, is a very lightly built vessel and would be unable to stand the buffeting that would accompany such a storm as that of Sunday.

It is declared that she could not have gone ashore on the main coast, as, if she had, it would have been known before now, while if she struck on Nantucket shoals she might break up and some be the wiser.

The last is the mildest fate that can have befallen her, sailors declare, and those who know the shoals do not believe that, considering the conditions that have obtained off the coast since the Wasp left here, she can have held together.

HIST IS ST. ONGER.

There is not so much anxiety about the Hist, as she is a much more strongly constructed vessel and better able to weather a heavy storm.

The Wasp is not equipped with wireless apparatus and those on board of her know nothing of the predicament of the Nan-

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RYAN TELLS COMMITTEE OF THREATS BY HARRIMAN

Says Magnate Declared He Would Use Personal and Political Influence Against Plans if He Were Not "Let In" on Equitable.

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Thomas Fortune Ryan, owner of the Equitable, testified today before the Armstrong insurance investigation committee that E. H. Harriman, the railroad magnate, had threatened to use his influence with Governor Odell to cause an investigation of the Equitable unless Ryan shared with him the stock which he, Ryan, had purchased from Hyde.

In reply to Mr. Hughes's question Mr. Ryan stated that Mr. Harriman demanded the right to name one trustee and that Mr. Harriman was not satisfied that the control should be in the hands of trustees named by Ryan.

Q.—You said he told you that you would not be able to carry out your plan against his opposition—what opposition did he say he would give? A.—He said his whole influence would be against you.

Q.—What sort of influence did he mention? A.—I don't know. He mentioned no special sort of influence.

Q.—Did he say his personal influences would be used against you? A.—Yes.

Mentioned No Names.

Q.—Did he say what sort of political influence he would use? A.—He did not.

Q.—Did he mention any names? A.—He did not.

Q.—Did he refer to the legislature? A.—He referred probably to the legislative action. He said that the legislature would probably take action.

Q.—Did he say what sort of action it would probably take? A.—No.

Q.—Did he say whether it would be in the form of legislation or investigation? A.—My recollection is that he said "Legislative action—some legislative action."

Q.—Can you state the substance of what he said? How did he say that with regard to legislative action? A.—I think he said that legislative action would probably be sought through his influence either for or against my plan.

Q.—Did he tell you that if you acceded to his request his influence would be thrown in your favor? A.—That was plain.

Others at Interview.

Q.—And he did tell you that if you did not divide the control with him that his influence would be thrown against you? A.—That his whole influence would be against me.

Q.—And that there would probably be obstructive action? A.—Yes.

Q.—In what event did he say there would be legislative action? A.—Well, the air was full of talk about legislative action at that time.

Q.—In that interview? A.—No, I mean in general.

Q.—Did he refer to the political influence that he would exert at the interview at which Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Cravath were present? A.—My recollection is that he did.

Q.—Did he say anything about the possibility of legislative action in the event that you gave him a share of the purchase? A.—No.

Threat Was Understood.

Q.—Then this mention of legislative action was in connection with your refusal to grant his request? A.—Well, he said that in the event of legislative action his influence would be complete for or against me.

Q.—Didn't he tell you if you did not meet his wishes there would probably be legislative action? A.—No, he did not say that.

Q.—Didn't he say that his political influence would be thrown against you? A.—No, not in those words. I understood that his entire influence whether political, financial or otherwise, would be used against me if I did not yield to his request.

Q.—And that included whatever influence he was able to exert directly or indirectly to bring about legislative action? A.—I would not say that.

Q.—He told you that his influence was important and you understood that in refusing to bring about his wishes you were taking chances and with that understanding you did refuse? A.—Yes.

Q.—And you told him the management of the Equitable would be entirely independent? A.—Independent of him and everybody else.

Wanted No Partner.

Q.—Why were you not willing to have Mr. Harriman name two trustees to go in with those named by you as that would have been majority? A.—That is true, but I was determined to try to carry out the plans I had formed.

Q.—You did not want Mr. Harriman as a partner in that outery project? A.—I didn't want anybody as a partner.

Q.—Is there anything you can recall that Mr. Harriman told you that was not told you in the presence of Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Cravath? A.—I don't recall that.

Q.—Did you have any further interview? A.—No, I did not. I told him over the telephone there was no use of talking about the matter, that I would not change my mind, and that ended it.

Q.—In that telephone interview did he repeat anything about the consequence of your refusal? A.—No, that I remember.

Conversation Strenuous.

Q.—I asked you on Friday this further question: Did Mr. Harriman say that there would be any result injurious to your interests in case you refused to permit him to share in the ownership? A.—Mr. Harriman said that his entire influence, including his political influence, would be against me.

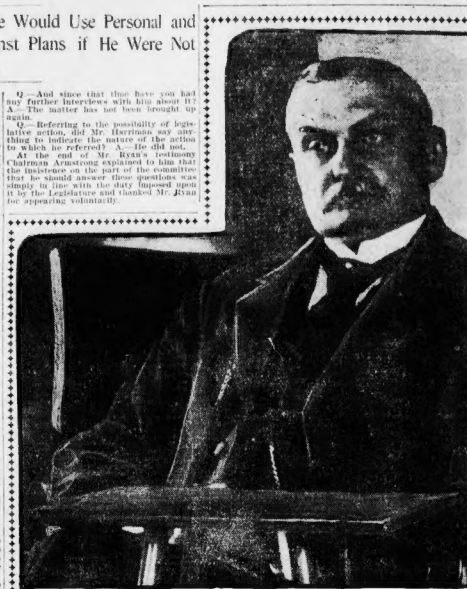
Q.—I will ask you the further question that I put on Friday: Did he say that any action on the part of the Legislature or any official or officers of the government would be taken in the event that you refused to accede to his request? A.—He did not.

Q.—Did Mr. Harriman tell you in substance that he did not propose to have anyone own the Equitable stock or control it without his having an interest in it? A.—I should not care to say that, Mr. Hughes. The conversation between Mr. Harriman and myself was rather strenuous.

Q.—And since that time have you had any further interviews with him about it? A.—The matter has not been brought up again.

Q.—Referring to the possibility of legislative action, did Mr. Harriman say anything to indicate the nature of the action to which he referred? A.—He did not.

At the end of Mr. Ryan's testimony Chairman Armstrong explained to him that the insurance on the part of the committee that he should answer these questions was simply in line with the duty imposed upon it by the Legislature and thanked Mr. Ryan for appearing voluntarily.



Photographed on witness stand by Boston American photographer.

HOW THOMAS F. RYAN LOOKS UNDER HUGHES' CROSS-FIRE.

LEADERS RISE IN RUSSIA TO HEAD PEASANTS

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 12.—Advices received here say that the peasants in many provinces have organized under leaders.

The telegraph lines with Moscow, Royal, Kieff, Kazan, Novgorod, Archangel and Narva are working again.

Many of the telegraph employes have resumed work, and it is believed that the strike is collapsing. The mails have not arrived from the South owing to the rail way strike.

Intelligence from the provinces is impatiently awaited, especially details of the mutinies.

The government apparently has resolved to resort to coercion.

It is said that the membership of the council of the Empire will be reduced by thirty-seven members, and that the council of war will be reduced by twenty-three members, for the purpose of economy.

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THEY DIDN'T LIKE MUSIC; IN CAMBRIDGE, TOO

They say Boston is artistic. Cambridge claims to out-Boston Boston in appreciation of the arts. Yet Miss Zetta Cole, pianist and singer, devotee of the great masters of song, has been requested to find other apartments than her present ones in the big apartment house at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Lee street, in the city of Harvard.

Her fellow tenants—one of them, at least—are responsible for the request to begin. The home management has sadly conveyed the complaint to Miss Cole and her mother, who resides with her. The janitor, being an artist, sent down to object to classical music. Others, being of course city, have objected.

Miss Cole studied under the late Charles L. Capen. Later she studied with Carl Hearman, for four years. Then she went to Munich, where she continued her studies and practice. She made her debut as a pianist in that city. For two years she remained in Europe, singing under Arthur Mosskowski and appearing in concerts. The combined critics of Paris praised the coloring and technique of her work. They said she was really an unusually good singer, even in a land where there are many artists.

People paid large sums of money to hear her play. It remained for artistic Cambridge to elect to hearing free what others gladly paid for.

"I don't much of a story," said Miss Cole. "We took a year's lease of these apartments in October. The agent knew that I did considerable practicing, for I told him that if there would be any objection he said there would be none, so I fitted up the apartments completely. There was no objection to the music until two weeks ago, when my down-stairs neighbor complained. Up to that time there had been no complaint on the part of others.

"Last Saturday my mother paid the rent. Sunday the manager of the estate called and said he had a sad duty to perform. He told of the objection to the piano playing, and requested us to move.

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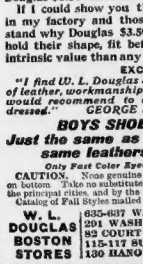

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COAT OF MAIL SAVES SULTAN

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 12.—One of the chief officers of the Albanian body guard of Abdul Hamid, Sultan of Turkey, has arrived here a fugitive from Constantinople.

According to the officer, a serious affray occurred several nights ago in the palace, between members of the bodyguard, owing to accusation of favoritism. Hearing the noise, Abdul Hamid rushed to the scene.

Some one in the crowd fired at the Sultan, but the bullet was deflected from his body by the coat of mail, which Abdul Hamid always wears. The Sultan at once returned to his rooms, threatening the punishment of all the officers.

SALEM PRINCIPAL RESIGNS

SALEM, Dec. 12.—Edwin R. Bigelow, who has served continuously as principal of the Phillips Grammar School for forty-eight years, has tendered his resignation, to take effect January 1. He has been in poor health a long time. He will remove to his country home in Stowe, Vt.

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CITY OFFICIALS TO BE ELECTED TO-DAY

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Street Commissioner, three years.
Thirteen Aldermen, one year.
Seventy-five Councilmen, one year.
Five members School Board, three, two and one years.
Vote "yes" or "no" on license.

FITZGERALD CALLS FOR MORE POLICE

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Democrats make the counter claim that it will only serve to put that party more on its guard.

NO DISORDER REPORTED.

The Election Commissioners at 10 o'clock declared that there had been no reports of disorder from any place in the city and that there had been no violations of the law or any attempts to utilize illegal votes, except for additional ballots in Ward 8, where the following of Martin M. Lomasney are in almost supreme control, there were no clashes during the early hours which necessitated the attention of the officers of the law.

THIRD OF VOTE AT 10 O'CLOCK.

In most of the precincts of the city it was reported that before 10 o'clock more than one-third of the registered vote had been cast and it was believed that practically all of the vote would be in by noon. In East and South Boston the Democratic leaders were hustling to get out the vote early and during the first few hours after the polls opened the booths were jammed. In Precinct 8, Ward 21, at 8:30 o'clock, there had been 324 votes cast, the most that have been cast at that time in there. The booths were full all the time from the opening of the polls up to that time and it was believed that practically all of the vote would be cast before noon. The same story was told in Precinct 8 of Ward 20, in Dorchester. At 8 o'clock 200 out of a registered vote of 800 there had been cast 225 ballots, and there was a line of twenty men waiting to get their ballots.

The supporters of Judge Dewey and Mr. Watson said last night, but worked hard and had faith.

An army of workers, policemen, precinct leaders and lieutenants and captains and sergeants, carriages, buggies, automobiles and crowds of voters are stationed at each polling place. The poorest voter in Boston may ride in an auto to-day if he only stays away from the polls long enough. Sturdy effort is being made to get out every vote. Sickness, unless it be very serious, is not an excuse sufficient for the hustling leaders.

The election to-day brings to an end one of the most sensational campaigns in the history of Boston. The four candidates, Louis A. Frothingham, regular Republican nominee; John H. Fitzgerald, ex-officio Democratic nominee; Judge Henry S. Dewey, Independent, and J. A. Watson, independent candidate, have conducted a whirlwind fight.

Since the day of the primaries they have been very busy day and night, in every ward and precinct in Boston their arguments have been listened to by their friends.

ENORMOUS VOTE IN EAST BOSTON; AUTOS KEPT BUSY

Although there was no disorder at the polls, there was a tense feeling and supressed excitement everywhere in East Boston today.

The friends of all the candidates for Mayor got out early and worked hard, and began to work indefatigably to poll every vote in their ranks that could possibly be got. Voters who never rode in an automobile before and were dressed in the roughest of working clothes came to the polls like millionaires. They had to walk to work, however. They were common mortals again as soon as their votes had been cast.

Although there was intense partisan feeling everywhere, electioneering is conducted in an orderly manner. There was no disturbance in the early hours. In some precincts there were a number of sharp-eyed men busy watching for repeaters. Ward 1 is a Republican ward, and the way the vote came out cheered the Frothingham workers. They said they had guessed right. The reserve strength of the party respond more readily to the call. In some precincts, however, it was reported that Dewey was showing strength. The Fitzgerald men said that few Democrats were hanging back from the polls.

In Ward 2, which is Democratic, it was estimated that two-thirds of the total vote was polled in the first three hours. All records were broken in this respect according to the politicians at the booths. Every man who arrived was scrutinized and nothing lawful was left undone by the lieutenants of the several candidates to get for their man every vote they could rake in.

A number of men who had supported Fitzgerald in the primaries said that many Democrats were looking for Frothingham. The Fitzgerald men would not admit this to be true. They said that Ward 2 is to a whole was standing loyalty by the head of the Democratic ticket.

BULK OF ROXBURY VOTE HAD BEEN CAST BY 10 O'CLOCK

Roxbury began to vote in great numbers as soon as the polls were opened and kept at it incessantly up to 10 o'clock, when it was stated that the bulk of the vote of the district had been polled. Politicians said that they had never seen a heavier vote polled there.

The Democrats were forced to do their best by the activity of the Frothingham lieutenants, who went into the strongest Democratic precincts with automobiles and made extraordinary efforts to get every Republican and every independent voter to the polls. Although feeling ran high, the election proceeded quietly. Excitement was strong, but the workers at the polls were too busy to let partisan feelings lead to trouble.

It was seen early in the day that the Frothingham managers had planned to use the Fitzgerald vote down to the bone in their strongholds. In many precincts there were two Frothingham workers to one Democratic worker at the polls when it was at its strongest. This was the reverse of the situation during the primary fight at the polls between Dewey and Fitzgerald.

The Fitzgerald men said they were satisfied with the situation, however, and that the Frothingham campaign had failed to make much in the Democratic ranks in Wards 17, 18, 19 and 21.

FITZGERALD'S HOME DISTRICT TURNS OUT EARLY AND STRONG

Dorchester was the scene of the greatest activity ever known on an election when the polls opened. A big percentage of the total vote in all the Dorchester wards was polled in the first two hours.

Every citizen who could, cast a ballot before coming in town to work. Carriages, automobiles and a nondescript lot of rigs were employed to take voters to the polls. Every man who could be roached was seat after. The aged and infirm were offered every comfort for the trip.

This is the district where Fitzgerald resides. His lieutenants tried to offset the fact that Dorchester is the great Republican stronghold by urging him as a local candidate.

In Ward 20 at 9 o'clock it was said that 4,000 votes had been polled already. It was said that the Frothingham vote had been very large.

In some precincts there was some Dewey sentiment but Frothingham men refused to admit that the Progressive candidate was making a good showing. He was aided by whatever Callender sentiment there is in the district. It was reported in several localities that Donovan men were cutting Fitzgerald. This was denied both by Fitzgerald men and the followers of the Democratic candidate defeated in the primary contest.

Frothingham workers were jubilant. They said:

"We have drawn out the stay-at-homes. That means that Frothingham's plurality in Dorchester will break all records."

All over the district unprecedented interest was taken in the election.

RECORD VOTE IN BRIGHTON; BOTH SIDES CONFIDENT

Citizens of Brighton, a Republican district, are flocking to the polls to-day. This district has always been Republican, but in recent years the Democratic party has been cutting down the majority of the other side. To-day the Republicans there say Ward 22 has gone back to first principles. The ward is claimed for Frothingham already by an old-time majority.

This forecast is based upon the tremendous Republican vote which is being polled there. Republicans who have been indifferent during previous contests for years were seen at the polls to-day. It has been a great day for old men to vote. They are being brought to polling places in automobiles furnished by Frothingham campaigners and in their own vehicles.

It is declared that many Democrats are voting for Frothingham. John H. Lee is the Democratic leader in Ward 22. He was a strong supporter of Fitzgerald in the primary fight. The Democratic campaign managers have relied upon him as one of the most resourceful leaders in the city to bring out the full Democratic vote. Workers at the polls say that this has been done.

One feature of the electioneering was the number of women at the polls. They were brought there by the School Committee contest. Great interest is taken in Brighton in the result of the election of the new School Committee of five, which will take charge of the public schools of Boston on Jan. 1.

It is said by the friends of Judge Dewey that he is polling a substantial vote in Brighton.

ONE-THIRD OF SOUTH BOSTON VOTE OUT AT 8 O'CLOCK

South Boston voters flocked to the polls early and every indication there points to a record-breaking vote, the strength of the district being brought out. In Ward 12, in three precincts, out of a total vote of about 3,000, over one-third had been polled by 8 o'clock.

In Ward 11, out of a total of about 1,800 votes, nearly 600 had been cast at 8 o'clock. In Ward 13, which is about 1,400 and about nearly 500 citizens had cast their vote for mayor within the first two hours.

Election day began quietly in South Boston, but there was a rush at the polling booths, but not much excitement. Work was very active, however. Everything was done by the Fitzgerald men to get out the vote. Frothingham workers do not appear to be much activity in behalf of either Democratic candidate. Dewey has practically no workers. The Republican district is said now "regular" the average Democratic district is.

In Ward 13 all the faction leaders were busy. Jerome D. McNamara, Senator Collins, Major J. J. Kelly, former Alderman Michael W. Norris and Alderman Frank J. Linehan all worked hard.

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HEROIC RESCUE OF LIGHTSHIP CREW

MEN JUMP FOR LIFE IN RAGING WIND AND SEAS

Men on Relief Ship, Nearly Dead From Exhaustion, Weep as She Sinks.

SAVED BY TENDER AZALEA

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 12.—Crew saved; vessel sunk. This in brief is the story of relief lightship No. 58. In detail, the story is replete with horrors of the sea and the daring bravery of members of the lighthouse service.

The thirteen officers and crew of the relief lightship were brought here on the lighthouse tender Azalea early this morning. They were in a pitiable plight. They had fiercely wind and waves and what seemed certain death for hours. They had suffered great hardship and privation. Their rescue was as hazardous as their struggle with the on the surrounding water in the fire compartment.

After being tossed about by the heavy waves of the Atlantic for nearly two days, the crew of the relief lightship were saved from a watery grave by the Azalea, after the former had practically abandoned all hope of being saved. Only ten minutes intervened between the rescue and the foundering of the lightship.

Men Were Exhausted.

The rescued men were nearly exhausted and were brought to this port, arriving at two o'clock to-day.

The Azalea left New Bedford at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening for the rescue of the lightship. In the teeth of a strong wind, which turned into a gale, Captain Gibbs and crew of the Azalea reached Nantucket during the early hours of yesterday morning. At 10 o'clock the distressed lightship was sighted. She was then in a precarious position and in imminent danger of sinking.

The seas were running mountain high. To reach the side of the doomed vessel was impossible. So high did the waves run that for five hours the captain of the Azalea laid by waiting for a favorable opportunity to reach the lightship.

Nothing could be done but to wave encouragement to the apparently doomed crew. About three o'clock in the afternoon the crew of the lightship signaled that she was filling rapidly. This urged Captain Gibbs to attempt their rescue. With female fortitude, with great daring, despite the seething waves, he began his fight with the elements to get alongside the ship. Finally he succeeded and put a line aboard her. Then began the work of transferring the men.

Captain Jorgensen and his men were in a most pitiable condition. Their danger was not over. They were compelled to make the leap from one vessel to the other while the waves were rolling. Willing and anxious hands were ready to receive them as they jumped.

One by one, officers and crew grasped the sides of the tender and, although there were several narrow escapes from being washed overboard, all of the men were taken on board the Azalea.

Ship Sinks in Ten Minutes.

Just in time was this accomplished. Ten minutes after the relief ship was seen to shudder from stem to stern, then to begin to make that plunge forward which ended when she had sunk beneath the waters of the Atlantic.

Mingled with the tears of thanksgiving that they had been saved were the tears of sorrow at the sinking of the ship.

Then began the trip home. Plunging about, beaten hither and thither by the disappointed waves, the Azalea started for port. The task of reaching it was no easy one. It was not until 2 o'clock that it was accomplished.

The scene upon the arrival of the Azalea was inspiring. Men had waited the shores all night for some information as to the fate of both vessels and their crew. When the tender was noted in the distance every eye was strained. Saw the Azalea, but no tow. The fate of the crew of the relief lightship was bemoaned. The ship herself could not be discerned, and the belief was that she with all on board had gone down.

Captain Thanks God.

As the Azalea neared the dock she was hailed. Questions poured thick and fast on her captain. These were answered with the news that the crew had been saved, but that the lightship had been lost.

When Captain Jorgensen was congratulated upon his rescue, the only words which escaped him at first were "Thank God." Then he told his story.

LIGHTSHIP 66 HAS BEEN ORDERED TO NO. 58'S STATION

Special to the Boston American.

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 12.—Lightship 66, which has been here for repairs and whose place on the Nantucket Shoals station was filled by relief 58, which foundered yesterday, has been ordered to the station again. Captain Fosdick received orders to start at 6 o'clock to-night.

Captain Bourne will obey his orders although the owners on No. 66 are not yet convalesced and the owners say that she is not in condition to stand the battering that she will get on the dangerous station.

Orders were out at work to-day to hurry in the supply of fuel and fresh orders were sent out for other supplies.

F. K. MERRILL DEAD.

BEVERLY, Dec. 12.—Franklin K. Merrill, aged seventy-three, a well known citizen, is dead at his home on Cabot street. Mr. Merrill had lived here nearly all his life and was a shoemaker by trade.

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	Opening.	1 p. m.
Amalgamated Copper	97¾	98⅜
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Atchison	87½	87½
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Chesapeake & Ohio	57⅜	57⅜
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Colorado Fuel & Iron	37⅜	37⅜
Erie	40	40
Louisville & Nashville	127½	127½
Metropolitan	137¾	139½
Metropolitan Central	112½	112½
Missouri Pacific	103½	103½
N., F. & Texas	38⅜	38⅜
New York Central	134¾	134⅜
Norfolk & Western	84⅜	84⅜
Ontario & Western	53¾	54
Pennsylvania	141¾	140⅝
People's Gas	106	106
Reading	140½	141⅜
Rock Island	31	31
Southern Pacific	67⅜	67⅜
Southern Railway	37⅜	37⅜
St. Paul	182	182
T. C. & Iron	144¾	144¾
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United States Steel	38⅜	39¼
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MISS KENNEDY TOWERS ABOVE ALL IN SOCIETY

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MISS ALICE KENNEDY, TALL SOCIETY GIRL.

Remarkable Cambridge Girl Who Is a Favorite in the Smart Set.

Miss Alice Kennedy, a Cambridge girl, whose extreme height of 6 feet 2 inches makes her noticeable anywhere, is quite the rage in London society this season, according to cable dispatches to the BOSTON AMERICAN to-day.

The average English society girl is inclined to be tall, but this stately American girl towers above them majestically. Her extreme height, of course, makes her conspicuous at first, but people soon cease to notice it, on account of her delightful manner. She is as charming as she is tall, and her society is much sought.

The London dancing men were a little shy at first, as they feared she would be a difficult partner. The average man shrugs a woman who is much taller than he is, but wishing to suffer by contrast with her taller figure. But even the medium-size men no sooner her for a partner and her dancing card is always well filled.

Miss Kennedy was born in Cambridge twenty-five years ago. Her father was one of the founders of the Cracker Trust and is very wealthy.

Miss Kennedy weighs 240 pounds and wears a number 9AA shoe, which is not unusually long and narrow. She is not sensitive at all about the size of her feet, which are well proportioned to her height and weight.

The family home now is in Windsor, Vt., where Miss Kennedy entertains extensively, associates with the exclusive New York colony, located six miles from Windsor, and is accounted one of the most welcome youngsters of that aristocratic set.

In spite of her wealth and accomplishments, Miss Kennedy is exceedingly unaffected. She mingles with the village people freely, contributes generously to local charities and is beloved by everyone.

It is said that she has a splendidly constructed set of furniture for her rooms at home, the table, chairs and other articles being about four inches higher than ordinary.

She is very athletic. She drives well and would like to ride horseback, but is unable to get a ladies' horse which can carry her weight comfortably. She plays tennis well, likes shooting, skiting and tobogganing and is a splendid type of finely developed young womanhood.

Miss Kennedy, Who Looms Up in Society

Twenty-five years old.
Six feet two inches tall.
Weighs 240 pounds.
Wears No. 9AA shoe.
Athletic type, skilful golfer, whip and tennis player.

CAPTAIN JORGENSEN'S OWN STORY OF WRECK OF LIGHTSHIP NO. 58

NEW BEDFORD, Dec. 12.—Captain James Jorgensen and his crew saved by the courage of Captain Gibbs and his men of the Azalea just before Lightship 58 went down, tell stories of that rescue that make one of the thrilling yarns of the sea. With their craft sinking under them, no hope, seas raging in a fury all about them, they believed themselves lost. Then came the Azalea, brought alongside with marvelous seamanship by Captain Gibbs, one after another of the crew taken off; then the succumbing of the gallant lightship in sight of the saved. This is the story told to-day by Captain Jorgensen:

BY CAPTAIN JAMES JORGENSEN,

In Command of Relief Lightship 58.

Despite all we could do the water began to gain on us, and at 10 o'clock Monday morning I had the moorings ready to slip off. Captain Gibbs, with the Azalea, arrived just in time to save us, and we went on board the tender with grateful feelings that our lives had been spared.

The seas were rolling terribly, and on Monday morning we gave up all hope of being rescued. The sight of the Azalea bearing down upon us in the forenoon encouraged us to hold up, and in response to Captain Gibbs' hail we told him we would hang on to the ship for a few hours, although we were rapidly filling. Captain Gibbs told us to keep up our spirits. When the seas moderated somewhat he would venture alongside.

For five hours the Azalea lay within measurable distance. With the water continuing to gain upon us it became imperative that the attempt to take us off be made. I signalled to Captain Gibbs to come alongside, and with great gallantry he complied.

The task of transferring the men was an awful one. The seas were running mountain high, which rendered the climbing aboard very dangerous. Finally the last man, myself, got aboard the Azalea, and we were only there about ten minutes when we saw Relief No. 58 sink.

My feelings at seeing my fine vessel founder can hardly be described. What the suddenness of our miraculous escape from the jaws of death I was almost prostrate.

The crew were landed at Merrill's Wharf, and immediately went to their homes.

BY CHIEF ENGINEER DAVIS.

We first sprung the leak on Sunday morning, said Chief Engineer Stephen Davis, and at once took to the pumps. The breach of the waters, though, was so great that we were almost choked, and we then knew we were in a perilous position. We flashed wireless messages to Newport, asking for help, and then came the awful period of waiting.

Talk about anguish and suspense! We poor devils thought we were doomed. The pumping of the engine fired our hopes, and with the breakdown of the wireless our position seemed hopeless.

Captain Jorgensen exercised great courage and spurred the crew to hope for the best. We did hope that we would be picked up by a passing vessel, but as the hours went by and no relief came, things looked black indeed. Most of the men seemed reconciled to their position, and their bearing and composure were remarkable. There was absolutely no fear of death exhibited.

The wind blew a regular hurricane. We were tossed about in a manner that baffles description. I shall never forget the experience, and hope never to meet another similar one. The words of Captain Jorgensen greatly encouraged us to retain hope even to the last minute. When the men broke down when they saw the Azalea steaming toward us.

The sight was one to be remembered. The seething waves tossed the little lightship tender about awfully and it seemed impossible that she could reach us. Captain Gibbs's first question to us was as to our condition. Could we hold out until he got alongside? We told him that we were filling rapidly, but that we would hold out as long as we could. Captain Gibbs then signalled that he would come alongside as soon as the wind had abated, and thus assured we waited.

Two, three, four hours went by, and yet our release seemed as far off as ever. Then came the climax. Realizing that it was only a question of minutes when our vessel would founder, we signalled to Captain Gibbs of our desperate condition. On hearing this, Captain Gibbs resolved to get alongside without delay, but this proved a hazardous undertaking. With wonderful fortitude that commanded admiration, Captain Gibbs came on with dexterity and landed his craft alongside.

The work of getting aboard the Azalea proved a perilous undertaking. The men were worked up as a result of the position they had undergone, and a slip meant certain death. Captain Gibbs and his men rendered gallant assistance, however, and finally we were all taken aboard.

FEAR GUNBOAT WASP AND 50 MEN LOST

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rocket lightships, so she would not have gone to that station unless in the hope of getting new orders by means of the wireless there.

The wireless operators at the naval station have been on duty almost continuously since Sunday, in the hope of receiving some word that would tell them of the fate of the gunboat, but none has been received.

Unless some word is received to-day the officials at the station, who still say, although doubtfully, that they believe the Wasp will be found all right, undoubtedly will give up hope. The reports of the officers of the vessel that have been received from that Dry Ward could not have lived long in it. The men from the Brenton Reef lightship, who have come ashore declare that in all their years of duty they never experienced such awful weather as early Sunday morning.

The lightship, which is usually fairly steady, rolled so that it was impossible to stand upon the deck, and the keepers found it necessary to content themselves with cold food. They said that the wind was of frightful force and the seas were so heavy that no small craft could live in them. The reports brought by these men did more than anything else to strengthen the fear that the Wasp had been broken up, and that all on board had been lost.

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DR. M. Y. SIMMONS DEAD.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 12.—Dr. M. Y. Simmons, aged seventy, in whose dentist office Annie Delaney, aged nine, died recently from chloroform that numbed, is dead. He had not been in good health for some time.

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KUBELIK, OF $50,000 HANDS, A GOOD SPORT

Tells Admirers It Is Not Square to Talk of "Mash Notes" Received.

FREE WITH HANDSHAKES

Jan Kubelik, the Bohemian violinist who is coming to this city next Saturday, with his $50,000 fingers cased in their beautiful soft muff to protect them from the raw winter air, can be set down by Bostonians as a "good sport." He refuses to talk of "mash" notes he has received from infatuated women and girls. Also, he isn't afraid to give the hearty handshake with his precious fingers. He shakes hands like a political candidate.

Dispatches from New York tell how Kubelik made himself a good fellow at a joyful reception given him by the Slavic Alliance at their clubhouse, No. 240 East Seventy-second street.

The little violinist, who can play such big music, was toasted, cheered and congratulated in Russian, Bohemian, Croatian, Servian and half a dozen other guttural dialects. Half of the guests present were women, all of whom had an overpowering interest in the famous Kubelik reins. Many and Anna.

"Not on the Square."

But the real hit came when Pan Jan, as he was called, was asked if he ever received "mash" notes.

"Mash, mash?" he queried, "What is that —mash?"

He was told that this was American for scented billet-doux which every virtuoso received, be he Bartolini, Seydlitz, bond or free.

Pan Jan blushed a bit. The men and especially the women listened eagerly.

"O, yes," he said, "I have got them. But I don't believe it is right—what you call on the square, to talk of them, is it?"

There was a ripple of gentle handclapping from the women, who gazed with admiration at a man who was so trustworthy. And the men clipped him on the back and vowed he was a regular sport.

At the beginning of the reception some feared they should not shake the $50,000 hands of Pan Jan because the fingers might be too valuable to take such a risk. But Pan Jan had no such idea. He bowed to the first guests presented to him and reached forward with $25,000 worth of right hand of good fellowship.

Tells About His Twins.

So there was no trouble with the hand shaking.

Pan Jan was tickled to death to tell the women all about the twins across the water, how old they were, how he could hardly tell them apart and wasn't sure of himself at that, without having his decision confirmed by he twins' pretty mamma.

Some asked why he didn't bring his family over and Pan Jan discreetly intimated that certain domestic exigencies made it advisable for Mme. Kubelik to stay at home till January was passed.

"Then, in about a month or so, yes, maybe she will come with me for three and the — and the talented exponent of virtuous cuticle smiled expansively.

ALLEGES ILL HEALTH IN NON-SUPPORT SUIT

ATTLEBORO, Dec. 12.—Luther H. Hall was tried in the District Court on a charge of non-support of his wife. Mrs. Hall testified that her husband had not been living with her since last March, but had been in Cleveland, O. She said he sent her $2 during his absence and she had supported herself, although her health was hardly equal to her work.

Dr. Josiah W. Clarke testified for the defence that he treated Mr. Hall in June, 1904, and in July for an accident which affected his spine. He made the examination of defendant last week and found him to be in no condition to do manual labor.

SEVEN SUBURBAN CITIES ELECT MAYORS TO-DAY

BITTER FIGHTS HAVE MARKED MANY OF THE CAMPAIGNS WITH SEVERAL CANDIDATES.

Seven cities near Boston will to-day choose their chief executives. In some of these there have been waged the most bitter campaigns. In some the issues have been clearly drawn, but not strictly along party lines.

In Chelsea, Melrose, Somerville and Everett, there are non-partisan candidates, and although being opposed by party nominees, they have made whirlwind campaigns, which ended only last night. In the main, the issues have been of a local character, different conditions furnishing different campaign material.

In Somerville, the Beef Trust has cropped out as a factor of the fight. It is alleged there that the local manager of the beef interests is backing Charles A. Grimmons, Republican, for Mayor, opposed to him is Abraham A. Exton, a Democrat, running on what is called the Citizens' ticket.

What has proven one of the most interesting fights in the State has been going on in Lowell. Here there are two candidates. One of these is Mayor James H. Casey, the youngest chief executive in New England. The other is Frederick W. Farnham, Republican. Mayor Casey has the support of the young men of the city, while both men have the indorsement of their parties.

The most stubborn and most vindictive campaign known in the history of Chelsea has come to an end, and the result will be decided to-day. Mayor Willard is opposed by Marcus M. Merritt, Democrat. Charges and counter charges have been made; but that of a personal nature has been flooded by both candidates, and it is now believed that neither one will poll the full vote of his party.

MEDFORD.

The interest in the election in Medford centres in the candidacy of Charles H. Byram, Republican, who is running for alderman in Ward 7, to succeed his son, Charles R. Byram, Jr., whose term expires this year. It is a question whether Mr. Byram, Sr., will be able to follow in the footsteps of his son. There is no mayoralty contest. The mayor's term is two years, and this is the off year. There is a fight for alderman and school committee in every ward but Ward 6.

EVERETT.

There are three candidates for Mayor in Everett, and not one certain of election. H. H. Newton, Republican, is a candidate for re-election, and against him are C. G. Boynton, Independent, and W. H. Ford, Democrat. The vote will be a big one.

MELROSE.

There is no regular Democratic candidate for office in Melrose. For Mayor, Charles J. Barton, Independent, Sydney H. Bartrick, Republican, and William A. Carrie, Independent, are putting up a good fight and the contest will be a close one. Mr. Bartrick is a candidate for re-election. The vote is heavy.

MALDEN.

MALDEN, Dec. 12.—A record vote is being polled here to-day. At 2:30 o'clock there had been cast 3,500 votes out of a total of 5,000. It is expected that the entire vote of the city will be cast. Each mayoralty candidate is as confident of victory at this time as he was last night. It is impossible to predict the result with any degree of certainty.

LYNN.

LYNN, Dec. 12.—The mayoralty contest in Lynn is the closest in years. Both candidates claim a victory. Although the city of Republican by about 1,200. It is conceded by everybody that William P. Connery, the Democratic candidate, has greatly reduced this plurality, if he has not carried the city. Charles Neal Barney, Republican, who defeated Mayor Eastham at the primaries, lacks the support of the old-line Republicans, who have supported Connery. In Ward 2, the Republican and Eastham stronghold, Connery's vote is wonderful, and it is predicted that he has carried the ward easily. Both candidates favor reform, and Connery declared in favor of municipal ownership of gas and electric lighting plants, which gives him the support of many thinking Republicans. The traffic vote was extra large, and it was stated it was estimated that almost 8,000 votes out of 12,000 had been cast. Other close contests are for the Board of Assessors, between Asa T. Newhall, Democrat, and former Alderman Walter P. Babb, Republican, are candidates. Both claim the election. For the three-year term in the Board of Public Works the present chairman, Charles H. Gay, Republican, and W. B. Blakely, Republican, are candidates, and the contest is being eagerly watched. C. H. Baker, Republican, and Hon. Walter L. Ramsdell, Democrat, are putting up a stiff fight for the one-year term.

There is much betting on the contest for Mayor, with Connery the favorite.

CHELSEA.

With three-quarters of the city's total vote cast before the polls close, Democrats and Non-Partisans declared that they had carried the city for Marcus M. Merritt. Opponents of Mayor Edward E. Willard, who is fighting for a fifth term, turned out in force and secured every vote that could be reached. It is believed also that the city will return to the no-license column.

PLAN PENSIONS FOR B. & M. MEN

WORCESTER, Dec. 12—Delegates representing the 4,000 employes of the Boston & Maine railroad, will meet in Boston December 24, with the approval of the heads of the road, to devise a satisfactory plan to be presented to the officials of the railroad, whereby all employes after spending a certain number of years in the service of the road and reaching a specified age may be laid off on a pension that shall approximate at least one-half of their salary.

The meeting is the direct outcome of resolutions adopted by the railroad men at President Lucius Tuttle, who concurs in the belief that some kind of mutual arrangements should be between the road and its employes looking toward the proper care and sustenance of the old men in the service.

NO MONEY MARKET RELIEF FROM SHAW

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Secretary of the Treasury Shaw said to-day that he did not contemplate taking any action toward the further relief of the money market this week, certainly not within the next two days.

"UNKISSED" SON'S MOTHER-IN-LAW ILL

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Hofer, mother of Ruth Hofer, who married Gladstone Dowie, son of John Alexander Dowie, the prophet of Zion City, is seriously ill at Constance, the site of the Hofer chateau. In case of Mrs. Hofer's death it is expected she will leave a large fortune to her daughter. Two brothers of Mrs. Dowie, who opposed their sister's marriage to the "unkissed" son of the Zion City prophet, have notified her that they will contest their mother's will.

MISS ALICE TO BE BRIDE IN THE SPRING

President's Daughter to Wed Nicholas Longworth, Says New York Herald.

HE A RICH CONGRESSMAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—A dispatch from Washington in the New York Herald to-day says:

"The engagement of the President's eldest daughter, Miss Alice Roosevelt, and Representative Nicholas Longworth of Cincinnati has been frequently reported on the strength mercy of rumors in society circles at the National Capitol, and it has been as frequently denied authoritatively. But Miss Roosevelt has not been able to keep herself free from journalistic query upon the subject, nuch to her own and her family's annoyance. The fact is that no formal announcement was made known to even the most intimate friends of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, and whether there was any mutual understanding or anything akin to it, between Miss Roosevelt and Mr. Longworth was, to put it bluntly, perhaps, something that was "nobody's business," except that of the two directly concerned.

To Make Announcement.

"Now, however, matters stand somewhat differently as between the couple and society, for they have become engaged and the formal announcement will be made by Mrs. Roosevelt within a few days at the White House.

"The wedding day has as yet not been actually set, but it has been determined upon so far as that Miss Roosevelt's wedding shall be set during very early in the Spring, possibly before the Winter is really over.

"Since her formal introduction to society in Washington two Winters ago, Miss Roosevelt has been much in evidence in New York as well, where she has many relatives on her father's side to say nothing of the wide circle of friends of her family. The year of her debut was an eventful one for the members of the Roosevelt family, as there were at least three debutantes of that name here, all cousins more or less removed of Miss Roosevelt, and naturally at all of the family gatherings Miss Roosevelt was included.

"All of her cousins were at one time or other invited to the entertainments at the White House.

"After being favorably introduced to the world of society, Miss Roosevelt had many invitations to visit at the Summer resorts, especially at Newport, on her first visit there having been paid to Mr. and Mrs. H. Fulton Cutting two years ago last Summer, when she was the recipient of many charming attentions. Miss Roosevelt took part in the outdoor life of Newport, appearing frequently at the clubs with her various friends, and always joining in the lawn tennis games.

"Throughout all her social career, Miss Roosevelt has not lost the frank, open manner that has made her a great favorite. After last appearance at a social gathering in this city was at the dinner given by Mrs. Astor for Prince Louis of Battenberg on November 17.

Graduate of Harvard.

Representative Nicholas Longworth is thirty-six years of age and since his graduation from Harvard in 1901 has been an interesting figure in the social, political and financial life of Cincinnati, where he has moved in exclusive circles. He family has been socially prominent in Cincinnati for many years. Besides having a very large fortune left him by relatives he has been very successful in many oil, coal and other interests in the South. He is a large holder in the railroad and other interests to and about Cincinnati. Besides belonging to many prominent shooting clubs in the South, Mr. Longworth is a member of the Queen City and Blaine clubs of Cincinnati, the Columbian club of Columbus, the Somerset of Boston, and the Metropolitan of Washington.

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ASPARAGUS — Swan brand, California grown, large white asparagus, dozen 2½-lb. cans $3.50, can 30c

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PLUM PUDDING—Hazel, made from an old English recipe, rich enough for fruit cake, delicious served hot with plum pudding sauce, 4-lb. can 75c., 3-lb. can 60c., 2-lb. can 45c., lb. can 24c

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Synopsis of Preceding Part

HUTCHINSON HATCH, reporter, lays before Professor Augustus S. F. X. Van Dusen, so-called The Thinking Machine, the facts in what seems to be an attempt to kill by gas poisoning a young broker, Weldon Henley. Four times the gas had been turned on in Henley's room and each time he has had a narrow escape from death. He has barred his window and doors and just how the gas is turned on does not appear. After this story is told it appears that a young woman, Louise Regnier, employed as a maid in the same apartment, has been found dead of asphyxiation.

THE THINKING MACHINE FINDS THE SCARLET THREAD.

PART 2.

WHEN Professor Van Dusen and Hutchinson Hatch arrived at the apartment house they found they had been preceded by the Medical Examiner and by the police. Detective Mallory, whom both knew by former association in mysteries which had come to the attention of the police, was moving about, and greeted them without enthusiasm. He had seen The Thinking Machine at work and while he was not prepared to say that the scientist had not done wonderful things, he was never ready to give full credit where full credit was due.

Hatch and The Thinking Machine met the detective in the apartment where the girl had been found dead. The body had been removed and a telegram sent to the girl's employes in New York.

"Too late," said Mallory, when they entered.

"What was it, Mr. Mallory?" asked the scientist.

"Suicide," was the reply. "No question of it. It happened in this room," and he led the way into the third room of the suite. "The maid, Miss Regnier, occupied this, and was here alone last night. Mr. and Mrs. Standing, her employes, have gone to New York for a few days. She was left alone, and killed herself."

Without further questioning The Thinking Machine led the way into the room and began to squint about it as was his wont. He noticed the girl's bed from which her body had been taken, and, stooping beside it, picked up a book from where it had evidently fallen. It was a novel by "The Duchess." He examined this critically, then, standing on a chair, he examined the gas jet closely. This done, he stepped down and went to the window of the little room. This, closed at the time the girl was found, had been thrown open. Finally The Thinking Machine turned to the detective.

"Just how much was the gas turned on?" he asked.

"Turned on full," was the reply.

"Were both the doors of the room closed?"

"Both, yes."

"Any cotton, or cloth, or anything of the sort stuffed in the cracks of the window? I presume it was closed?"

"Yes, it was closed. There was nothing stuffed about the cracks, though. It's a tight-fitting window, anyway. Are you trying to make a mystery out of this?" asked the detective, with a superior smile.

"Cracks in the doors stuffed?" The Thinking Machine went on, disregarding the other's questions.

"No." Still there was a smile about the detective's lips.

The Thinking Machine, on his knees, examined the bottom of one of the doors, that which led into the hall. The lock of this door had been broken when employes burst into the room. Having satisfied himself here and at the bottom of the other door, which connected with the bedroom adjoining, The Thinking Machine again climbed on a chair and examined the doors at the top.

"Both transoms closed, I suppose," he asked.

"Yes," was the reply. "You can't make anything but suicide out of it," explained the detective. "The Medical Examiner has given that as his opinion—and everything I find indicates it."

"All right, good day," broke in The Thinking Machine abruptly. "Don't let us keep you."

After awhile Detective Mallory went away. Hatch and the scientist then went down to the office floor, where they saw the manager of the building. He seemed greatly annoyed, but was willing to do anything he could in the matter.

"Is your night engineer perfectly trustworthy?" asked The Thinking Machine.

"Perfectly," was the reply. "One of the best and most reliable men I ever met. Alert and wide-awake."

"Can I see him a moment? The night man I mean?"

"Certainly," was the reply. "He's down stairs. He sleeps there. He's probably up by this time. He sleeps usually till 1 o'clock in the daytime, being up all night."

"Do you supply gas for your tenants?" went on The Thinking Machine.

"Gas and electricity is included in the rent of the suites. They may use one or both if they wish."

"And the gas all comes through one meter?"

"Yes, one meter. It's just off the engine room."

"I suppose there's no way of telling just who in the houses uses gas?"

"No. Some do and some don't. I don't know."

This was what Hatch had told the scientist. Now together they went to the basement, and there met the night engineer, Charles Burlingame, a tall, powerful, clean-cut man, alert in manner and positive in speech. He gazed curiously and perhaps with a little amusement at the slender, almost childish figure of The Thinking Machine, surmounted by its grotesquely large head.

"You are in this engine room or near it all night every night?" began The Thinking Machine.

"I haven't missed a night in four years," was the reply.

"Anybody ever come here to see you at night?"

"Never. It's against the rules."

"The manager or a hall boy?"

"Never."

"In the last two months?" The Thinking Machine persisted.

"Not in the last two years," was the positive reply. "I go on duty every night at seven o'clock, and I am on duty until seven in the morning. I don't believe I've seen anybody in the basement here with me between those hours for a year at least."

The Thinking Machine was squinting steadily into the eyes of the engineer, and for a time both were silent. Hatch moved about the scrupulously clean engine room and nodded to the day engineer, who sat leaning back against the wall. Directly in front of him was the steam gauge.

"Have you a fireman?" was The Thinking Machine's next question.

"No. I fire myself," said the night man. "Here's the coal," and he indicated an opening in a bin within half a dozen feet of the mouth of the boiler.

"I don't suppose it's possible that you ever had any occasion to do anything with or handle the gas meter?" insisted The Thinking Machine.

"Never touched it in my life," said the other. "I don't know anything about meters, anyway."

"And you certainly never drop off to sleep at night for a few minutes when you get lonely? Doze I mean?"

The engineer grinned, good naturedly.

"Never had any desire to, and besides I wouldn't have the chance," he explained. "There's a time check here,"—and he indicated it. "I have to punch that every half hour all night to prove that I have been awake."

"Dear me, dear me," exclaimed The Thinking Machine irritably. He went over and examined the time check—a revolving paper disk with hours marked on it, made to move by the action of a clock, the face of which showed in the middle.

"Besides there's the indicator to watch on the boiler," went on the engineer. "No engineer would dare to go to sleep. There might be an explosion of steam."

"Do you know Mr. Weldon Henley?" suddenly asked The Thinking Machine.

"Who?" asked Burlingame.

"Weldon Henley?"

"No-o," was the slow response. "Never heard of him. Who is he?"

"One of the tenants, on the second floor, I think."

"Lord, I don't know any of the tenants. What about him?"

"When does the man who reads the meter come here?"

"I never saw him. I presume in day time, eh Bill?" and he turned to the day engineer.

"Always in day time—usually about noon," said Bill from his corner.

"Any other entrance to the basement except this way—and you could see anyone coming here this way I suppose?"

"Sure I could see 'em. There's no other entrance to the cellar except the coal hole in the sidewalk in front."

"Two big electric lights in front of the building, aren't there?"

"Yes. They go all night."

A slightly puzzled expression crept into the eyes of The Thinking Machine. Hatch knew from the persistency of the questions that he was not satisfied; yet he was not able to fathom or to understand all the queries. In some way they had to do with the possibility of some one having access to the meter.

"Where do you usually sit at night here?" was the next question.

"Over there where Bill's sitting. I always sit there."

The Thinking Machine crossed the room to Bill, a typical, grimy handed, good natured man of his class.

"May I sit there for a moment?" he asked.

Lazily the day man arose and The Thinking Machine sank down in the chair. From it he could see plainly through the opening into the basement proper—there was no door—the gas meter of enormous proportions through which all the gas in the house passed. An electric light in the door made it possible to see it as clearly as if by daylight.

The Thinking Machine noted these things, arose, nodded his thanks to the two men and, still with the puzzled expression on his face, led the way to the office upstairs. There the manager was still in his office.

"I presume you examine and know that the time check in the engineer's room is properly punched every half-hour during the night?" he asked.

"Yes. I examine the dial every day—have them here in fact, each with the date on it."

"May I see them?"

Now the manager was puzzled. He produced the cards, one for each day, and for half an hour The Thinking Machine studied them minutely. At the end of that time he arose. Hatch looked at him inquiringly. He saw still the perplexed expression.

Then, after urgent solicitation, the manager admitted them to the apartments of Weldon Henley. Mr. Henley himself had gone to his office in State street. Here The Thinking Machine did several things which aroused the curiosity of the manager, one of which was to minutely study the gas jets. There were no electric fixtures in the room; the manager explained that Mr. Henley had a prejudice against electricity, having once been badly shocked by a wire. This prejudice extended to the use of 'phones. He rarely used a telephone, and never unless absolutely necessary.

Having concluded this examination, The Thinking Machine opened one of the front windows of the apartment and glanced out into the street. Below fifteen feet was the sidewalk; above was the solid front of the building, broken only by a flagpole which, properly roped, extended from the hall window of the next floor above out over the sidewalk a distance of twelve feet or so.

"Ever use that flagpole?" he asked the manager.

"Rarely," said the manager. "On holidays sometimes—Fourth of July and such times. We have a big flag for it."

From the apartments The Thinking Machine led the way to the hall, up the stairs and to the flagpole. Leaning out of this window, he looked down toward the window of the apartments he had just left. Then minutely he inspected the rope of the flagpole, drawing it through his slender hands carefully. At last he picked off the iron bar to which the rope was tied inside the hall a minute scarlet thread and examined it.

"Ah," he exclaimed. Then to Hatch: "Let's go, Mr. Hatch. Thank you," this last being to the manager, who had been a puzzled witness of what had happened.

On the street outside as he walked side by side with The Thinking Machine Hatch was bursting with questions, but he didn't ask them. He knew it would be useless. At last The Thinking Machine broke the silence.

"That girl, Miss Regnier, *was murdered*," he said suddenly, positively. "There have been four attempts to murder Henley."

"How?" asked Hatch, startled.

"By a scheme so simple that neither you nor I nor the police have ever heard of it being employed," was the astonishing reply. "*It is perfectly horrible in its utter simplicity.*"

"What was it?" Hatch insisted, eagerly.

"It would be futile to discuss that now," was the rejoinder. "There has been murder. We know how. Now the question is—who? What person had a motive to kill Henley? That's the question now."

(To Be Continued To-morrow.)

SETTLE SUIT FOR MILLION

SOUTH NORWALK, Ct., Dec. 12.—The $1,000,000 suit and body attachment against C. Munson Raymond, president of the Carbon Steel Company, brought by Mr. and Mrs. John D. Slayback of New York, was settled, and for the first time in two weeks the millionaire was freed from the constant vigil of two deputy sheriffs. The matter was settled by the lawyers in the case in Pittsburg, and the sheriffs were notified to release the prisoner.

$50 CONFEDERATE BILL BRINGS TROUBLE

LYNN, Dec. 12.—David Devoe, twenty-five years old, charged with passing a Confederate $50 bill on a local pawnbroker, appeared before Judge Berry in the Lynn Police Court to-day, and his case was continued. Bail was fixed at $300. Devoe's defence is that he received the Confederate bill from a Boston saloon keeper in change for a $100 bill he gave in payment for drinks.

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Our Glove Certificate
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Women's Glove Section
Street Floor, Front

Wonderfully Complete Stocks of Choicest Holiday Goods Fill Every Floor of This Great Store

A Fur Stole

Second Floor—Summer St. Side.

As illustrated—Sable and Isabella Opossum Stole, trimmed with braid ornaments and tails, 70 inches long, Skinner satin lining,

$8.75

Muff to match, **$4.50**

A Fur-Lined Coat

Second Floor, Rear—Summer St. Side.

As illustrated—American Kersey Coat in black, green, brown and navy blue, 46 inches long; handsomely lined with blended German squirrel, collar of natural and blended squirrel. A regular $35.00 coat for

$22.50

Our Christmas Lamp Store

Abounds With Holiday Goods

NOTHING more practical, nothing more acceptable for Christmas giving than the many novelties to be found in this section. Many are exclusive importations, and all are most reasonably priced.

Annex—Street Floor.

Electric Reading Lamps

In endless variety from 2.50 (complete) to 65.00. Lamp like cut **25.00**

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A very large variety at a wide range of prices. Splendid selections from 12.50 to 75.00. Figure like cut **30.00**

Very Beautiful Parlor Lamps in brass, Dresden or royal green finish, complete with etched globe and best Juno burner **5.00**

Japanese Bronze Lamps This is a 14.00 value. Complete with globe. **10.00**

Student Oil Lamp Fitted with very best centre draught burner; with green shades **3.35**

Gas Drop Lights The largest possible variety; prices from 2.50 to 25.00. Ask to see our No. 41, complete with 10-inch green shade **3.50**

Candle Sticks Bronze finish, very artistic **25c**

Others to **15.00**

Hammered Brass Goods Steins, Plaques, Fern Dishes, Wood Boxes, Jardinieres, etc., to be found in Lamp Dept.

Andirons..........**1.00 to 75.00**
Fire Sets..........**2.00 to 25.00**
Bellows..........**1.00 to 15.00**
Coal Grates..........**2.00 to 7.00**

Sensible Holiday Gifts in Household Necessities

MORE of such presents as these are being given each year—practical things for practical people. The prices in each case command qualities that are all that could be desired.

Basement.

Tool Chests All fitted with warranted tools of best grade, taken from our hardware dept. Best selection in Boston.

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Bissell's Carpet Sweeper A most practical gift for which there's use every day in the year. It saves labor and saves the carpet.

Bissell's Standard..........**1.69**
Bissell's Grand Rapids..........**2.50**
Bissell's Boudoir..........**3.50**
Bissell's Superba..........**5.00**

Chafing Dishes Headquarters for chafing dishes and necessaries, largest assortment in Boston and the lowest prices. Our College Chafer, with best regulating flame, alcohol lamp, hot water pan with side handles, plain dome cover, a regular 5.00 chafer. Our special price.... **3.50**
Same dish with bead edge..**4.50**

Sternau Chafer Best made, always the standard, in copper or nickel plated,

5.00 to 15.00

Chafing Dish Trays..........**1.00**
Chafing Dish Flagons**2.75, 3.00**
Chafing Dish Spoons and Forks..........**1.00**

Sternau Coffee Machine In copper and nickel, a splendid gift for the holidays, the only correct way to make coffee—by distilling.

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Burrows' Feather-Weight Card Tables Green cloth or leather top **3.75**

Automobile Luncheon Baskets Special reduced prices. Large assortment in willow and leather.

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Fancy Baskets All kinds of fancy trimmed baskets, waste paper, work baskets, wood baskets, baby baskets, etc. Finest collection ever shown in Boston, many exclusive patterns.

SKATES

A Full Line of Barney and Berry's Skates

Sporting Goods Section—Fourth Floor—Front.

For Women
Polished Steel, heel and toe straps. Pair..........**85c**
Strap heel and clamp toe. Pair..........**1.15 to 4.50**
Heel button. Pair..........**2.50, 4.00 and 4.50**
Wood top, strap heel and toe. Pair....**75c**

For Boys
Wood top racers. Pair..........**1.75, 2.25, 3.50 and 4.00**
Lever Skates, polished steel. Pair......**50c**
Boys' and Girls' Heel Button. Pair..........

For Men
Polished steel, all clamp, lever..........**50c**
Heel button. Pair **2.50, 4.00 and 4.50**
Hockey Skates. Pair..........**2.00, 2.25, 3.00, 4.00, 4.50**
Full line Lever Skates. Pair **50c to 4.50**

For Girls
Girls' Heel Strap, clamp toe. Pair..........**1.15 to 4.50**
Girls' Wood top, strap heel and toe. Pair..**75c**
..........**2.50, 4.00, 4.50**

Miss Dolly Boston

22-Inch Full Jointed 1.00 Light or Dark Hair

The Best Doll Bargain of the Year

Fourth Floor.

22-Inch Size, with stockings and shoes.......... **1.25** | 24-Inch Size, with stockings and shoes.......... **1.50**

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A MOTHER wrote us recently that she had to keep Scott's Emulsion under lock and key—her children used to drink it whenever her back was turned. Strange that children should like something that is so good for them. It's usually the other way.

Scott's Emulsion

makes children comfortable, makes them fat and rosy-cheeked. Perhaps that's why they like it so much—they know it makes them feel good.

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LABOR NEWS

Grand Organizer P. J. Downey of Kansas City addressed 150 members of Sheet Metal Workers' Union No. 17 at No. 9 Appleton street. Remarks were also made by Third International Vice-President John H. Winfield and Business Agent John F. Kennedy of the Boston local.

Officers were elected as follows: President, John J. Hynes; vice-president, William Bagwell; recording secretary and business agent, John F. Kennedy; financial secretary, V. C. Nipper; treasurer, H. O. Morton; trustee, Edwin A. Page; conductor, Owen Decareau; warden, A. Leavitt. Two new members were admitted.

AROUSING GARMENT WORKERS.

T. A. Rickert, of Chicago, general president of the United Garment Workers of America, who is touring the New England states in behalf of the Garment Workers' label, has assured the various Boston locals of financial assistance in placing a label agent in the field. Members of the general executive board will visit this city soon to address a series of mass metings to be held by the various locals of the clothing trade.

At last night's meeting of Garment Workers' Union No. 1, the business agent reported that good progress is being made toward restoring the union to its former standing. The following nominations were made: President, S. Fedder, D. Gilman, M. Villusky; vice-president, M. Villusky; recording secretary, G. B. Radlo; financial secretary, S. Fedder, S. Zorn and G. B. Radlo; treasurer, S. Fedder; inside guard, B. Brick, B. Abrams, S. Fedder, M. Benjamin, W. Berkosky; delegates to District Council, M. Benjamin, G. B. Radlo, S. Fedder, J. Goldberg, D. Gilman, S. Zorn; executive board, D. Breuner, S. Zorn, D. Gilman, M. Villusky, I. Speigel, D. Brick, J. I. Goldberg, S. Fedder.

LAMPLIGHTERS' BALL.

The first annual ball of Lamplighters' Union No. 11,943 in Odd Fellows' Hall was attended by about 325 couples.

The grand march was led by President Thomas F. Curley and Mrs. Curley, followed by Vice-President James M. McCarthy and Miss Lillian Coleman, D. A. O'Brien and Miss Frances F. Bates, and seventy-five couples.

The officers were: Floor marshal, Thomas F. Curley; assistants, James M. McCarthy; floor director, Stephen J. Flaherty; assistants, William H. Harrison and David A. O'Brien; chief of aids, Z. Hagerty.

CIGARMAKERS ELECT TO-DAY.

The label committee of Cigarmakers' Union No. 97 has appointed committees to visit the various labor organizations and inform them of the new methods adopted by the tobacco trust to place certain brands of cigars in its store windows throughout New England.

The semi-annual election of officers will be held to-day in the various shops in this city.

FIREMEN TRANSFERRED.

Stationary Firemen's Union No. 242, recently organized, received thirty-seven transfers from Firemen's Union No. 3 at last night's meeting. It was reported that much success was being met with in bettering the conditions of the members in the various business places and city departments. Officers will be elected December 20.

STATIONARY ENGINEERS.

Stationary Engineers' Union No. 16 has appointed a committee to meet committees representing the Central Labor Union, Stationary Firemen, Brewery Workers and Coopers Thursday night to act on the Puritan brewery case. Two hundred tickets have been sold for the annual ball to be held February 9 in Odd Fellows' Hall.

LABOR NOTES.

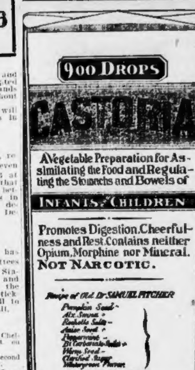
Professor Frank Parsons will address the Chelsea Central Labor Union Thursday night on "Municipal Ownership."

Plasterers' Union, No. 10, holds its forty-second annual ball to-night in Paine Memorial Hall.

Dry Goods Clerks' Union, No. 786, elects officers to-night at No. 724 Washington street.

FIRST STEP FOR FREER TRADE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Senator Lodge has offered in the Senate resolutions adopted by the Legislature of Massachusetts asking Congress to promote freer trade relations between the United States and Canada, and between the United States and Newfoundland; for an amendment to the Constitution looking to the adoption of a national law to establish a uniform system in the several States in respect to hours of labor; for the removal of the duty on hides; for the transfer of the life-saving service to the Navy Department, and relative to transportation rates collected by railroads.



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Stool and scarf good for beginners; same price allowed on exchange within two years. ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS.

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Kranich & Bach Upright, Briggs Upright, New England Upright; have your choice for $75; all are in splendid condition and warranted; why not buy where expenses will allow us to give you the benefit? ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS, 725 Shawmut av., Roxbury, Mass.

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Full octave, splendid bargains in this well known make; easy terms. ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS, 725 Shawmut av., Roxbury, Mass.

Wood Mahogany Upright $39

3 pedals, just as good as new; sells for a great deal more where rents and expenses are high; see us at once; easy terms. ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS, 725 Shawmut av., Roxbury.

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Both in nice condition; your choice of either for $35. If you are looking for pianos of these makes it will pay you to call at once. ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS, 725 Shawmut av., Roxbury, Mass.

WE offer at this sale exceptional bargains in used and new upright pianos at prices that will appeal to every one in need of a good piano for very little money; reasons why, expenses in Roxury hardly noticed; expenses in Boston, $200 to $500 daily; no high rents, big salaries or commissions to be paid; we own our stock, leases and buildings; we have no polished floors; that is why we can positively say you get the benefit; why do you want to think it over? why not call to-day? Chickering $20, Hallet & Davis $15, Emerson $25, Fischer $40, Rogers $55, Gabler $60, Merrill $90; all are in first-class condition and some are latest styles; very easy terms; all goods advertised warranted as represented or money refunded. ROXBURY STORAGE SALESROOMS. See red flag.

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SEVERAL nice upright pianos which must be sold at a sacrifice; 2 nice uprights, Chickering and Vose, 40 and $50; nearly new mahogany uprights, 3 pedals, latest style, at ¼ Boston prices; reason why, no high rents, big salaries or commissions to be paid, no fancy floors, our expenses about $5 a day; Boston warerooms' expense $300 to $500 daily; our terms the most liberal; free carting, free tuning and 3 months' lessons with each piano; why not see us at once and thus save the agents' enormous profits? SHAWMUT PIANO CO., 720A Shawmut av., Roxbury, Mass.

$95 BUYS my fine Chickering piano, which cost me $500 three years ago; rich mahogany case, tone is round and full and very musical; reasons for selling, going to Panama. V 181, Boston American.

A LADY residing in Back Bay is to leave for Germany to continue studies in music and must sacrifice her beautiful Gabler piano this week, sure; a splendid opportunity to secure a high-grade instrument for a Xmas present; $110 buys this piano. Q 84, Boston American.

RENT A PIANO—Rent allowed toward purchase of that or any piano you select at our warerooms; $3, $4, $5 per month; you need a piano for the holidays; don't delay until the last minute. "Do it now." BLAKE'S, 564 Washington st., Established 1869.

MILLER PIANO—Beautiful case, rich, mellow tone, cost $450 when new; owner leaving city and needs cash; will sacrifice for $70; don't reply unless you have the money. Y 182, Boston American.

$64 CREDIT SLIP on a Kimball piano, Hallet & Davis; will sell for $30. D 96, Boston American.

Barter and Exchange

ONE CENT A WORD.

ADVERTISING course International Correspondence Schools; will exchange for disc talking machine or typewriter. O 104, Boston American.

ALL DESKS, fixtures and supplies, offices, stores, exchanged. MASS. MDSE. CO., 30 Kneeland st. Tel.

AUTOMOBILE—I want to buy for cash any make of automobile, gasoline or steam, or I will trade a mortgage on real estate for an automobile; send me full description of auto. JOHN M. BARRY, 552 Tremont st.

AUTOMOBILE—I will exchange my 20-h. p. touring car (gasoline), seats 5 people, for real estate in Boston, or a free and clear farm. ALLEN NEWHALL, 543 Tremont st.

FORD AUTOMOBILE—First-class shape, detachable tonneau, Schebler carburetor, dark green body, light running gear, brass trimmings, extras; will trade for good gasoline boat. Address D 95, Boston American.

FOR EXCHANGE—One-half interest in a patentable household novelty for an automobile. Address H 4, Boston American.

FOR EXCHANGE—Automatic banjo slot attachment for other slot machines. G. P. B., 2816 Washington st.

GASOLINE and Columbia electric auto, used but little; what have you to exchange? JOHN RICHARDSON, 6 Friend st., Boston.

I WOULD LIKE to exchange my King Poco 6½x8½ camera without lens for a wide angle lens. G 174, Boston American.

JEWELRY NOVELTIES, 15 gross; just right for mail order business; what will you give for them? Address 241 Tremont st., room 8.

NEW 3½ h. p. marine engine to trade for a 2nd hand launch or dory with 1½ h. p. engine. P 32, Boston American.

PAINTING, paper hanging for clothing, piano, J. MARKS, 40 Anderson st., city.

REAL ESTATE—I have a beautiful Summer home, located on the shores of Buzzards Bay; this is a high-class piece of property, located right on the beach; house fully furnished, including piano; price $10,000; will trade for any kind of Boston real estate, not too heavily mortgaged. Box 1191, Boston, Mass.

RACING SKATES, nearly new, will exchange for any useful article. Address, D., 52 Buffum st., Salem, Mass.

SECOND-HAND FURNITURE—I have a lot of second-hand furniture in storage warehouse. What have you got to trade for it, or how much cash will you give me for it? J. M. BARRY, 108 Waltham st.

VAPOR BATH CABINET, new, exchange for camera or anything useful. 655 Weeden st., Pawtucket, R. I.

WILL EXCHANGE a choice building lot 50x100 feet, near Milton Boulevard, for first-class gasoline launch, 25 to 30 ft., hunting cabin preferred. B 93, Boston American.

WILL INSTALL a heating plant of any kind or repair for new or second-hand automobile. HEATING ENGINEER, 6 Friend st., Boston.

WILL give part interest in a big invention for financial aid. MR. M'LEAN, 2 Upland road, Everett, Mass.

WILL BUY slightly used rocking horse. ENGLAND, 48 Norfolk st., Dorchester.

WILL EXCHANGE a pair of Whelpley ice skates for a good pair of roller skates. F. A. R., 145 Bunker Hill st., Charlestown.

WHAT have you to offer for $73 credit check, good for Kimball piano or Chase and Bates player? Apply BOWKER, 210 Lincoln st.

WOULD LIKE to exchange full dress coat and vest, size 35, for mandolin or camera. V 156, Boston American.

2-SEATED, leather cover cushion democrat wagon, can be used for business and pleasure, nearly new, everything in good order, worth $75. What have you to offer in exchange? J. K. WINER, 295 Devonshire st.

1 MOTOR CYCLE, engine new; 1 complete camera outfit, also screw tail Boston terrier dog for any useful article or best offer. W. K., 78 Vernon st., Somerville.

$25 BABY CARRIAGE, almost new, would like good bicycle for it. N 77, Boston American.

AGENTS.

KANGAROO TRICK LOCK.

AGENTS—One of the best puzzles ever invented; also useful for securing lockers, trunks, doors, boxes, etc. VICTORIA SPECIALTY CO., 43 Tremont st., Boston.

$20 TO $80 FOR EXPERIENCED canvassers; $10 to $15 for beginners; best household article on market; sells to every housekeeper. For particulars apply to INLAND, Fairmount House, Hyde Park, Mass.

HELP WANTED—Male.

Wanted—Experienced Help in a Wood Working Factory.

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MEN and boys wanted to learn PLUMBING TRADE. Pays $5 day after completing course of practical instruction at home or in our schools. Graduates admitted to Union and Master Plumbers' Association. Positions secured. Special tuition price to residents of Boston, $25. COYNE BROS. CO. PLUMBING SCHOOLS, New York, St. Louis, Mo., Cincinnati, O. Free catalogue.

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DIAMONDS, watches, jewelry, $1 down, $1 week; largest stock, lowest prices, easiest terms; open an account to-day; we will trust you. LENOX JEWELRY CO., 373 Washington st., room 75; open every evening until Christmas.

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257 COLUMBUS AV—Why work for $10 or $15 per week when you can demand $25 or $35 by becoming a professional chauffeur? Road and repair course $15.

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BRING US your saws to be set and filed, good work, reasonable prices. ALBERT GRIFFITHS SAW CO., 35 Hartford st.

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A CHANCE FOR 1,000 men and boys daily—shaves 2c, 5c, 10c, 15c; haircuts 3c to 25c; thirty lady and gentlemen barbers. HALL'S BARBER COLLEGE, 814 Washington st., Boston.

A MAN not over 40 of strong personality who realizes $2,000 per year requires brains, if feeling to qualify for such, may call Tuesday and Wednesday morning. F. G. DOAK, 17 Tremont Place.

AMBITIOUS young men to learn automobile business; salary $30 when competent. Apply Manager, WALLESTON AUTOMOBILE CO., 229 Pleasant st., Boston.

AUTOMOBILES—We teach men to drive and repair automobiles; for $15 we guarantee license; largest, best school; open evenings until 9 o'clock. BOSTON AUTO SCHOOL, 343 Tremont st.

BOY WANTED—15 to 17 yrs. old, in office of wholesale silk mill; good chance for right party. W. C. THAIRLWALL & CO., Cambridge Silk Mill, 84 State st., Cambridgeport, Mass.

CARRIAGE BODY MAKERS Wanted, on heavy work, good pay, steady job. QUINSLER & CO., 26 Cambria st., Boston.

CARPENTERS—Wanted at once, 20 or 30 first class house carpenters; Winter's job; also one experienced wood turner, accustomed to general shop work. MAXSON & CO., Westerly, R. I.

CANVASSERS—A few good live canvassers wanted on salary or commission. B 109, American.

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COYNE'S BOSTON PLUMBING & TRADE SCHOOL—All practical work; day and evening; send for circular. 121 Haverhill st., Boston.

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MEN wanted to take our automobile course on building, repairing and road work, the largest and best equipped school in the country, day and evening classes, call or write. HUB AUTOMOBILE SCHOOL, 195 Freeport st., Dorchester.

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PATTERNMAKERS wanted, wood and metal; only good men need apply; no strike, steady position and good pay; state age, experience and salary expected. Address P. O. Box 1029, Bridgeport, Ct.

RELIABLE MAN, acquainted with race track players in Boston and vicinity, to solicit business for well-known New York bookmaker, daily settlements, telegraph odds; excellent opportunity for a good hustler. H 90, Boston American.

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WANTED—For the U. S. Marine Corps, able-bodied unmarried men, between 21 and 35, of good character, must speak, read and write English, and be citizens of the U. S. Marines serve at sea on men-of-war in all parts of the world and in our island possessions and at naval stations in the U. S. Apply at 86 Court st., Boston.

HELP WANTED—Male.

WANTED—First class hand on irregular moulder, steady job, good wages, weekly payments. Address or call, C. M. HOLMES, Dutton st., Lowell, Mass.

WANTED—First-class travelling salesmen, New England States. MONEYWEIGHT SCALE CO., 111 Summer st., distributors Dayton Computing scales.

WANTED—First-class plumber at once; steady work to right man. McAREE, GRANTON & McAREE, 89 Washington st., Haverhill, Mass.

WANTED—Good tinsmith, steady work year round. Apply to the WALWORTH MFG. CO., City Point, So. Boston.

WANTED—Linemen, preferably experienced in telephone work. Apply to New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. Employment Bureau, 153 Milk st.

WANTED—Energetic, up-to-date wood pattern maker, competent to act as assistant foreman; must have push, executive ability, understand moulding machines and be able to handle men; pattern shop new, modern facilities, employing 35 men. G 181, Boston American.

WANTED—Experienced gas fixture hangers. RHODE ISLAND CHANDELIER & ELECTRIC COMPANY, 886 Westminster st., Providence, R. I.

WANTED—Metal polishers, experienced on brass work. WHITNEY ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENT WORKS, Penacook, N. H.

$20 WEEKLY easily earned (position permanent) distributing circulars, samples, etc. For particulars, COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING ASSOCIATION, Philadelphia, Pa.

4 FIRST-CLASS copper roofers. Apply to CLAYTON HARRIS, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Falmouth st.

WANTED—6 first-class cornice and skylight workers. Apply to CLAYTON HARRIS, 281 Canal st., Providence, R. I.

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A GENTLE, well-educated, agreeable companion, an accomplished singer and reader, an entertainer, wishes to be a companion and friend to an invalid. C 106, Boston American.

A POSITION as inside man, generally useful, understands waiting on table, in small private family; good references. W. H. M., 14 Holborn st., care Miss Thatcher.

ADVERTISING MAN with good newspaper and copy writing experience desires position with an agency or mercantile concern. X 124, Boston American.

A FIRST-CLASS washer in laundry wants job. 579 Tremont st.

A YOUNG MAN, Danish, wishes a place at anything, a compositor and printer by trade. Address 1 City Point ct., South Boston.

BUTLER OR PORTER—Position by a young colored man, willing to work. Address C. DENNIS, 82 Sterling st.; good reference.

COLORED MAN wants situation with private family; age 20 years. 20 Fayette st., city.

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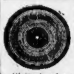

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TAD INVADES THE "PUGILISTIC KITCHEN," AND FINDS THE CHEF WARMING OVER THE LEAVIN'S

O'BRIEN IS SAVING HIS HANDS

BY W. W. NAUGHTON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Jack O'Brien has been compelled to establish a waiting list for his volunteer sparring partners. He is making a specialty of footwork, and a number of lightning, featherweight and lightweights are on hand every day at the beach to box with him.

Jack has found that active little fellows make him step around more quickly than bigger ones, and as he allows the youngsters to smack away at him, and does not try to strike back, there are no end of applicants for the honor of acting to with the tall Philadelphian.

Tuesday Jimmy Anthony, the former military champion of Australia; Joe Gorman, Jack Wilson and "Battling" Swanson completed O'Brien's sparring crew. Several others were told to come again to-morrow.

O'Brien Very Elusive.

O'Brien, when entirely on the defensive, is an elusive individual, and it didn't take Jimmy Anthony long to convince himself of that fact. In the beginning Jimmy looked confident, but after he had tried all his pet leads without finding anything but empty air, he became discouraged. He tried himself out trying to land on O'Brien, and when a passing car changed its bell, Jimmy came to earth. He thought it was the office gong and took a rest.

The other sparring and feathers had no more success, and the crowd laughed heartily at the manner in which O'Brien dodged his opponents. Most of this thing O'Brien intends to put into practice when he gets into the ring with Tommy Johnson, who will be known until the bout is in progress, but it is very evident that he will be in a position to break all records in the matter of covering ground, if necessary.

Saving His Hands.

Of course O'Brien could not win a fight by following the program he adopted to-day, for the reason that he did not have back at all. His idea is to save his hands for his argument with Fitz. He can't afford to get injured during the rounds there will be no complaint that the cause of the bout was anything but the manner he does not care to take a chance of injuring his hands.

The utter carelessness on O'Brien's part when he entered the ring when he fought the heavy boy. He went at the affair as though he wished to overdown himself to getting the entire weight of his body and the force of his back muscles and abandons into every punch, but he did not allow his hands to come in contact with the sack. He simply punched with his elbows and forearms.

NATIONAL LEAGUE TO-DAY MAY ELECT JOHN M. WARD

By Boston American Leased Wire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—John M. Ward, now a successful attorney here and former baseball star, and brotherhood leader back in 1890, may be the next president of the National League. A week ago it looked as though Harry Pulliam would be re-elected to the office without any opposition.

When it comes time for election at the annual meeting of the National League clubs, which opens at the Hotel Victoria to-day, President John T. Brush, who has just been re-elected president of the New York club, will nominate Ward for the presidency. At present Pulliam is unaware that there is a move on foot to defeat him.

Barney Dreyfuss, who had a good deal of trouble with Pulliam last season, will undoubtedly follow Brush's lead and vote for Ward. The Bostons and Brooklyns will then follow the banner of the Giants and Pirates. Neither the Quakers, Cardinals nor Colts are agitating the election of Pulliam.

Herrmann will hardly advocate the selection of Pulliam against Ward, and it now looks like a certainty that Ward will be the president for the next season.

HIGH AVERAGES IN EASTERN LEAGUE

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Official averages made by players in the Eastern League have been announced. They show that Foster of Newark, had the highest batting percentage, .458. He took part in only fifteen games. Then follows Caldwell, Toronto, with .389; O'Hara, Baltimore, .369; Woods, Buffalo, .338; Griffin, Baltimore, .333, and LaPorte, Buffalo, .331. All except LaPorte took part in not more than twenty-one games. LaPorte played in 128, went to the bat 447 times, made seventy-five runs and 148 base hits.

In fielding, the leaders were: Ritcher, Shea, Newark, .974; pitcher, Moriarty, Newark, .991; first baseman, Murphy, Buffalo, .980; second baseman, Muller, Baltimore, .965; third baseman, Woods, Jersey City, .937; short stop, O'Brien, Rochester, .953; outfielder, Gettman, Buffalo, .979.

GOLFERS NAME TICKET FOR ELECTION

The nominating committee, consisting of Herbert Whidden, Brookline Country; Devereux Emmet, Garden City Golf Club, and D. Fergus, Chicago Golf Club, who were appointed to select the officers of the United States Golf Association for the ensuing year, has completed its work and handed in its report. The ticket follows: President, Rinsom H. Thomas, Morris County Golf Club; vice-presidents, Robert James, Glenview Golf Club, and Alexander Bethune, Cherry Chase Golf Club; secretary, W. Pellows Morgan, Baltimore Golf Club; treasurer, Samuel T. Bodine, Philadelphia Cricket Club. Executive committee, in addition to the officers, Daniel Chauncey, Garden City Golf Club; George C. Willetts, Country Club of Brookline; Haywood R. Leavett, Omaha Country Club, and H. Chandler Egan, Kansor Country Club.

ONLY "HAS BEENS" LEFT--TAD

BY TAD.

These are the real dog days in the line of pugilistic doings, if there ever was a "wonder" period in the history of the game it is not on record around here just now.

Just think of it. Not a comer in sight. All we have to look at, talk about and dope is a bunch of old-timers who have been warmed over and are being led into the ring again. The fighters before us at the present time have had their fling. They have been to the top, hit the ceiling, went to the floor, and are now up with no again with the dust brushed off and passed off as good as new.

Look at the bunch.

R. Fitzsimmons—A wonder in his time and the real thriller kid shower he fought. He had his best days years ago, and now it is a question as to whether he can even go through a hard course of training.

Jack O'Brien—Also has had his best days. Is still pretty fair, though, and can carry weight the whole distance, but—

Terry McGovern—Great kid. Has been down and out three years, but came back with a rush and got away with one. Is now up again looking for comers.

Young Corbett—Great with the signers from when trimmed Terry years ago, tried to trim the high players, but lost. Stuck to the coast awhile, fattened up and tried to beat it again. Failed to lose it, but tried to make himself believe that he did. Can still go, but nothing like he used to.

Jimmy Britt—Nelson—that's all.

Del Hawkins—Been so long off of the game that the dope was away back in the closet where we couldn't reach it. Will try to prove that he is still as young as he used to be.

Frank Erne—Anxious and willing to prove things. Also a shelf article, much to the dust. Very uncertain as to form.

Gus Rublin—Been dinged so often that he knows himself now about being a champ.

It does seem like swinging the mallet to say these things, but you can't deny them. There are about four or five real live ones in the game now, but none of them are killing themselves fighting.

The best we get is the old boys whose parents have retired, but what's a fellow going to do, eh?

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COAST BOXER ARRIVES IN N. Y.

BRITT IS IN DEMAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Jimmy Britt arrived in town yesterday with a determination to desert the stage and get back into the ring. He was quite interested to know just what offers were open for him, as he is anxious to add a little to his bank roll. He did not have to wait long, for plenty of the matchmakers were awaiting him, and each had his little proposition.

Jack McGigan was the first to get to Britt, with an offer of 60 per cent. of the gross receipts from the Naterjak A. C. of Philadelphia. Young Erne is the man at the other end of the proposal and is awaiting a reply from the California lightweight.

Wants to Meet Terry.

Britt, however, did not seem inclined to clinch this offer. He says he wants to meet Terry McGovern in a six-round go before one of the Quaker City clubs. This seems impossible just now, as McGovern has his hands full with a six-round bout with Battling Nelson.

In default of the McGovern bout, Britt is willing to accept other offers that appeal to him. He had received offers to fight "Young Corbett" and Willie Fitzgerald before he reached here, and sent word to his brother to accept them for some time after the Christmas holidays, when he would be able to go West.

The New York clubs have been watching for Britt, too, and early yesterday he was seen at his rooms in the Hotel Somerset, West Forty-sixth street, near Broadway, by a representative of the Lincoln Athletic Club, which gathers at the Lion Palace, One Hundred and Tenth street and Broadway. Britt was invited to join the organization and box Willie Lewis three rounds next Saturday evening, for a liberal percentage of the gate money. Britt is considering.

Attell Is Willing.

Meanwhile Abe Attell, the fast little lightweight, is holding forth to-night at the Summit A. C. in East Thirteenth street, in a number of five-round fights. If any of the fighters at the tourney would like a chance for a regular bout Attell will accommodate them on the spot. He has not broken training since the interesting tussle with Nelson, whom he threw off for ten rounds in Philadelphia and practically won on points. Attell spent several hours in the vicinity of the Metropole yesterday in the hope of meeting Gentleman Britt and talk over the financial merits of a go between them. Attell thinks a bout between himself and the California would prove of great benefit to their respective bank accounts. There is little doubt that the pair would furnish the swiftest kind of a fight.

BOWKER READY TO TAKE ON "FEATHERS"

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—When Charley Mitchell returns to this country he will bring with him Joe Bowker, the English champion, who won from Frankie Neil in London last year. Eggleston had a good opinion of Bowker previous to that event, but when he beat Neil for the champion ship of the world every British admirer was ready to back the champion against any fighter his weight that America could produce. He easily disposed of Pinky Evans, an American challenger for the title.

Since his battle with Neil, Bowker has been gaining rapidly in weight, and he is now a good featherweight. Bowker has met with just as much success with the feathers as he did with the lighter men, and upon his arrival in America he will fight as a featherweight and not as a bantam.

According to Mitchell, none of the American featherweights will be barred by Bowker, and if he is successful in his first matches he will continue meeting all comers until he has fought every man entitled to a match.

SULLIVANS AT THE TRACK "TWIN" AFTER NELSON

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 12.—The illustrious Sullivans, Jack and Mike, attended the races yesterday. It is not often that twin brothers have championship aspirations, and it is a very good thing that John weighs enough to edge into the mid dleweight division. Just think what a bad fight those twins would put up for a championship were they both in the same class!

Jack has written the Ranger man who makes the Twin cigar, requesting him to cut out the leather fiber, and will do nothing until he hears from him. Mike has troubles of his own. He wants to fight Joe Gans and the chances are that the men will not meet at the lightweight limit. Mike says he obliged Gans by doing 133 for him at Baltimore, won $300 worth of the money, and then on the decision and got no credit for doing the weight, as Gans spread the report that he felt sorry for the bald-headed one and "pulled" to him.

Mike After Gans.

"I will fight Gans this time at catch weights," said Mike. "I want him to put up his best fight, and if he is better at 128 than 133 I shall not worry. Gans is broke and he needs the money. I think we will go on for the January date in San Francisco, and if we do I will whip him. I don't care if he weighs a ton. Then I will post a $1,000 forfeit to do 133 ringside for Battling Nelson. Nelson is regarded as the best 133-pound man in the business and he is the man I am after."

It would seem that Mike has picked out a hard campaign, but the way he disposed of Jimmy Gardner stamps him as a man of great class, and if he can do the 133 and make his usual fight he should be the man they have to beat for the lightweight honors.

Incidentally it might be mentioned that both Sullivan won bets yesterday. Being loyal to the old sod they bet the green in every race. They had to wait some time but when they discovered Michael Dwyer's colors in the race, green and gold stripes, it was all off with the bookmakers. Jack won enough to purchase two great cigs, and his Boston smile and Mike set the gilt in in large glittering chunks. When M. Byrnes ambled to the wire in the last race there was a bald-headed riot in the grandstand.

Makes a Denial.

Mike wishes to deny the report that he is negotiating with the Parisian market for the best trapeze ever brought to this country.

Harry Sullivan, the elder brother and advance agent for the Twins, has all the info in the family, and when he sevenas inclined to make a point of this circumstance, and says Mike sing the chorus of that old anthem:

"No matt, what'er his station,
Ever had both half and brains."

If Mike Twin whips Joe Gans he will go on the road with a show, ably assisted by brother John, who will double with him in a song and dance turn prepared by a local dramatist.

KELLY AND MAHONEY DRAW

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 12.—After one of the fastest fights ever seen in this city Referee Ryan declared the ten-round go between Hugo Kelly of Chicago and Young Mahoney of Milwaukee a draw.

FOOTBALL O. K. SAY BOSTON PEDAGOGUES

Football will continue in the Boston schools next year, subject to the changes made in the rules by the Philadelphia conference. There will be no attempt to oust the game, locally.

The athletic committee of the Head masters' Association held a meeting to discuss matters relating to Boston school athletics. The members of this committee are C. C. Mann, West Roxbury High; C. J. Lincoln, Dorchester High; J. F. Casey, English High.

The subject of football brought out no difference of opinion. The committee, representing the sentiment of the head masters, feel that they have no special fault to find with the game as played in the Boston schools. Certainly they will do nothing until the present agitation elsewhere dies down.

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SPORTING NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

BOWLING.

"Foxy Grandpa" Meyer is totaling up some grand scores at Tom McCarthy's three alleys. Bob has more gray hairs than any other roller in the city, but the youngsters seldom beat him on the candlepin game.

The suggestion premise Murray & Evans a hot time when they clash to-morrow night at the former's alleys.

In their match with South Braintree the Old Colony team ran up a score of 518 in the last string. Not one of the five rollers bowled less than 100. Johnstone had 109, Davis 105, Roche 102, Foster 106 and Smith 105. That's going a bit, boys.

Harry Canning is more than upholding his honor at Tom McCarthy's. His average for the season is a fraction over 98.

It looks as though Emerson would win the monthly prize at McCarthy's this month. The contest closes to-morrow night, and smiling "Finn" is leading comfortably with 137.

Billy Fitzgerald has just struck his true gait, and he is making the pin boys work overtime to keep up with him.

Fight over the weekly roll-off at the Chantry Street alleys with 325. Murphy was second with 319 and Welch third with 312. Such a classroom.

Clarence Everett, the boss pinsetter here, is making some re-runs of some one and four on the Lion street alleys he is almost unfortunate.

BASEBALL.

It has been suggested that Charley Murphy's Chicago Cubs be re-christened the "Spuds" for next season. Good joke—Murphy—Spuds.

"Dutch" Meyer, the old Princeton infielder, who has been scouting for Pittsburg, is having a number of bonquets thrown at him these cold days. Cincinnati was keen on getting him, but Fall, but Dreyfuss was there first.

Latzo remains the king batter year after year, this is the third season he has led with the stick. Times have changed with only two .300 hitters.

Perhaps the base-stealing record of Zeke Bonthrow is one of the remarkable features of the records that have just come out. He stands third in the batsmen, yet he was a catcher on the local American and about the most awkward runner on the team. No wonder the Nationals are a dangerous team with such a factor left out.

Pitcher Jack Thielman of the Jersey City team, who is a student in the dental department of Pennsylvania University, is already coaching the pitchers at Stevenson, the star quarterback, may try for the honor this fall.

"The baseball public were never better satisfied than they are now and don't want the rules changed to increase batting average." This is the opinion of Silk O'Loughlin, the umpire. He believes in leaving the rules alone, and if they must be changed to secure heavier batting, then move the pitcher back another five feet from the home plate.

BOXING.

Sailor Burke and Andy Walsh, both of Brooklyn, who boxed a hard draw at the Shaster Athletic Club last Friday night, have been matched to box six rounds for the same club to-night, December 15. The former mill was so easy that the match-making department tied them up again, when both will try for a knockout.

Chick Tucker of the Avonia A. C., and Tommy Murphy of the new Polo A. C., both of New York, are likely to be matched to meet for three rounds at catch weights in the star bout before the Hudson Athletic Club, in a few weeks' time.

Willie Fitzgerald, the Brooklyn lightweight, has passed a forfeit of $1,000 to bind a match with Mike (Twin) Sullivan of Cambridge, Mass., for a twenty rounds at 125 pounds. Fitzgerald put the money up with Harry Corbett, the Tuxon sporting man, and says that if can go for a side bet if Sullivan thinks he can defeathim. Fitzgerald won over Sullivan in a six-round bout in Philadelphia a year ago.

Billy (Dusty) Rhodes of Kansas City, who has defeated Rube Ferns and Al Flynn, is hot after a match with Willie Lewis, for any number of rounds before any club that Lewis will name. Jack Rhoads's manager, will post a forfeit to bind a match any time the East Side welterweight says the word.

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By Beatrice Fairfax

Don't Be a Hypocrite; Talk About Your Friends Behind Their Backs as You Would to Their Faces

By Beatrice Fairfax

THE other day I overheard two women discussing a mutual friend.

I never saw either of them before, and have not the remotest idea who they were, but the friend's name was "Florence."

After chatting about Florence in a desultory manner for a few minutes one turned to the other and began: "You know, dearie, no one is fonder of Florence than I am——." And the fond friend thereby proceeded on a criticism of Florence and her ways that was truly edifying.

The other friend listened appreciatively, joining in whenever she got a chance.

"Florence has no better friends than you and I," she agreed solemnly, "and of course we would not allow any one else to talk this way about her, but as I was saying——" And the discussion went merrily on.

"Poor Florence!" thought I, "if these are indeed your best friends you are in a bad way."

By the time these dear friends got through with her she had hardly a shred of character left.

They criticized her manners, her clothes, her housekeeping, her husband, her children, everything they could lay their venomous tongues to.

And yet they persisted in calling themselves her friends and incidentally let drop that they expected to meet at her house that very afternoon and play bridge.

The funny part of it was that I really think both those women consider themselves friends of Florence.

All I can say is if that is friendship, deliver us from our friends.

An open enemy would be preferable to a friend of that type.

This habit of abusing an absent friend is a very deplorable—and I am sorry to say not at all an uncommon—one.

When two or more girls get talking confidentially they are very apt to indulge in unkind criticism of other girls.

They may salve the situation over by pretending that the criticizing is done in a spirit of friendship, but it is a pretty poor kind of friendship, and I think the victim would willingly dispense with it.

An unkind remark grows like a snow ball as it travels from mouth to mouth, and the person who originally spoke it would hardly recognize it by the time it has been repeated half a dozen times.

Take my advice, and when you hear two people talking unkindly about a third person keep out of it.

Don't yield to the temptation to repeat a choice morsel of scandal.

Men never weary of accusing women of being scandal mongers.

Let your men friends see that you at least are above it.

If you have nothing nice to say just keep quiet.

And don't let scandal go uncontradicted if you know it to be untrue.

By not denying it you would be practically agreeing to it.

Don't be a hypocrite, all smooth to your friend's face and false behind her back.

Treat your friends as you would have them treat you, and you can't go very far astray.

ADVICE TO THE LOVELORN

By Beatrice Fairfax

WRITE AND EXPLAIN.

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

About five months ago I made the acquaintance of a young lady whom I thought a great deal of, and understood my love was returned. A few weeks ago I had an engagement on two successive Fridays and failed to call. Now, after the first disappointment I called and everything was forgiven.

On the day following my failure to keep the second engagement I wrote a letter and also telephoned.

When I 'phoned I was told the young lady would be out of town the following day. I have never heard from her since, and feel that I was not treated right, as I had called twice a week before the first disappointment.

D. S.

I THINK the girl was at fault. If you care enough for her to explain matters write her and tell her the whole thing and say that you feel she has not treated you fairly. If she is generous she will see your side of it and will accept the explanation and things will be all right again.

RATHER TOO YOUNG

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I am a young man, eighteen years old, and am in love with a young lady one year my junior.

I have known her for only three months, since when I have been out with her every evening. A day or two ago I asked her to become engaged, but she refuses to give me either yes or no.

I have reason to believe she thinks a great deal of me, as she absolutely refuses to go out with any other young man.

Now, Miss Fairfax, please advise me what to do, to stop going with this young lady or ask her to give me an answer either one way or the other.

A. D.

DON'T you think you are rather young to become engaged? You could not marry for a number of years, and long engagements are hard on both sides. Why not be satisfied to go on as you are until you are both quite sure of your affections? Find out if she loves you, but have no formal engagement.

Hints on Health and Beauty

By the Professor

DEAR PROFESSOR:

I am much thinner than I wish to be. I want to be plump, so please tell me what diet to follow to make me so.

HATTIE R. C.

TO make yourself fleshy, first of all eat a great deal of fruit of all kinds. Take a glass of milk between breakfast and luncheon, another between luncheon and dinner, and another before going to bed. You should sip the milk slowly, and, if you desire, eat a wafer or two while taking it.

Eat cereal breakfast foods with cream and sugar and all the starchy and sweet vegetables that you want, such as sweet and Irish potatoes, peas, corn and beans, as well as all the green ones, and eat salads with oil, to promote digestion.

Cream and bisque soups, macaroni, spaghetti and farinaceous puddings encourage the laying on of fat. Eat meals according to your appetite and taste. Drink hot water freely.

WOMEN SET THE STYLES AND MEN FOLLOW HUMBLY AFTER

Men Trailing Along a Year Behind the Women

HERE are two pictures in which Miss Bradshaw, the BOSTON AMERICAN expert delineator of fashions, has shown up the inconsistency of man. The latest Paris fashion for women requires the short-waisted effect, as is shown in the handsome Empire coat of olive poplin, embroidered in olive and gold. The revers are faced and bordered with sable, and the narrow belt is of olive velvet. But the very latest fad for men is the long, slim-waisted hour-glass style of coat that flaps about the heels. This is the style which women are discarding.

Men Adopt This Style of Coat Just as Women Cast It Aside

The New Short-Waisted Coat for Women

IT is quite interesting to get these two pictures together and note that as the hour-glass style for women is superseded by the short-waisted effect, men are taking up the discarded style for women. Here are the pictures. They speak for themselves. Is there any man in the face of them who dares to deny that women set the styles for men, even though men may not adopt the latest idea before women have turned to another? Isn't it enough to make every male human who has any tender sensibilities blush for his sex?

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

She Has an Open Heart-to-Heart Talk with the Man Whose Wife Is About to Become a Mother

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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IF you were to build a house and desired a comfortable, substantial mansion which would be a pleasure to you and your descendants you would help the architect and oversee the builders, would you not?

It would not be possible for you to ignore any question or refuse any aid which these men asked to carry out your plans.

Neither would you deem it politic to antagonize them or to keep them in a state of worry, anxiety, anger or disappointment over your failure to treat them properly while at work for you.

Neither would you consider yourself a sane man if you scolded and frowned while they were at work because of the cost of this house, which you had ordered built.

Even if you changed your mind about wanting a house you would not blame the architects or builders.

Yet many of you are doing as senseless and a far more cruel thing in the treatment you accord your wife, who is, through your desire and co-operation, building a child for you.

I know of a man who never speaks to his wife during her months of expectant motherhood because he feels he cannot afford to support more children. I know of scores of men who are unkind, unsocial and inconsiderate during this period when women require more tenderness and care than at any other time.

The angry or resentful workman might impair the stability of a house by putting in loose bricks or rotten timbers, but how much more disastrous is the bitter thought, the resentful impulse, the nervous temper which the wronged and misused mother imbeds in the unborn child.

Thought by thought, mood by mood, she is making your child what it is to be.

Your house can be sold, if it does not suit you, and if the contract has not been faithfully kept you can bring suit for damages against the contractor.

But the child who is coming into the world to bear your name cannot be sold, nor can you receive damages for any imperfections of mind or body it may possess.

A child is a creation for time and eternity.

Not only are you wronging this child by permitting a nervous and perhaps diseased condition to be bestowed upon it through your cruelty or neglect but you are making sorrow for some other unborn child, the husband or wife of your offspring.

An unworthy, unbalanced and uncontrolled human being is a menace to society.

A woman is not a mere animal, who can be content with food and shelter.

She requires something more than the expectant mother in the brute kingdom, in order to produce the highest type of humanity.

Even the animals are guarded by stock breeders from overwork, improper food and cruel treatment, and this is more than can be said of hundreds of women in our land of civilization.

If you are to become a father, collaborate with your wife in producing a worth-while human being.

Give her tender care, loving companionship, consideration and kindness. Even then remember the hardship of the undertaking rests with her.

BUSY WOMAN HAS 'TELEPHONE' HOURS

"I RECEIVED a note from a friend the other morning with instructions to ring her up on the telephone any day from 10 to 11, or evenings from 7 to 8," said the busy woman.

"Now, that's what I call common sense, if somewhat proscribing. Questioned about her plan, she gave her reasons succinctly.

"I have to regulate telephone hours or I should live on the stairs. It is disagreeable to be disturbed at breakfast and dinner. I am attending to the day's affairs from 10 to 11 and downstairs, so I do not mind being called up at that time.

"But I do mind being called down stairs. After dinner I am willing to be rung up for an hour. Of course, if something of importance has happened I do not scold about being called to the 'phone at other times—but women don't wait to have something to say, always, as most of us know. After rushing down stairs in answer to its summons I used to find that some sentimental woman friend wanted to know how I felt, or some gossip desired to tell me all she knew and drain me of all my information over the wire for twenty minutes or so.

"It would have been insanity for me if I hadn't put the embargo on promiscuous ringing up. I belong to organizations, I have a family, I am a churchwoman—all these duties are absorbing; so I am not one of those with nothing to do but to ceaselessly 'ring up' women without mental occupations.

"Recommend my plan. It gives the rest of the day a liberty we all knew before we simply had to have the telephone to help us cope with our increasing complex lives."

NURSERY POINTERS

IT is worth remembering that baby sleeps longer on the right side than on the left. It is well to remember this when laying him down finally for the night.

It is not good to eat between meals, and parents should take care that they do not let their children fall into the habit, as it is one of the most frequent causes of ill-health in the young, and also in older persons.

Five necessary things for children—plenty of milk, plenty of flannel, plenty of fruit, plenty of fresh air, and plenty of exercise. If a mother will see to it that her children get these things, she may be almost certain of her little ones keeping well and strong.

When combing out a child's hair if you start combing at the ends first and then gradually work upward the knots will be easily removed without discomfort. Go gently to work, and afterward brush the hair thoroughly.

Castor oil or cod liver oil will not taste so bad if the child first holds a few drops of vinegar or lemon juice in its mouth. The spoon should also be dipped in vinegar or lemon juice before the oil is put in. This will not spoil the effects of the oil.

Nail-biting is not always a wilful habit to be cured by some little punishment, but sometimes an indication of the first stage of nervous degeneration. The habit should be treated as a disease. It affects the general health, as the pieces of sharp nail are swallowed and may cause appendicitis. A little bitter aloes rubbed on the finger tips will cure it in children.

JACK HARKAWAY'S SON

HIS CAMPAIGN AGAINST PHILIPPINE PIRATES

CHAPTER XXIX.

Almost Lost

"I AM going to flood the pipes."

The words sounded in Jack's ears like a death knell.

He knew what must be the power of a pump that could operate so vast a suction apparatus as that which drained the mammoth cave in which Hunston had his headquarters.

He knew that as soon as the ponderous machinery was put in motion there would come a flood sweeping through that iron tunnel like the flow of water through a mill race.

There would be no time to think then—no way of escape.

Yet, grave as was his own peril, Jack could not help feeling a flash of gratitude when he remembered that the pipe was stopped at the chamber where he had lately been confined, and that if his friends still lived they would be spared the death that threatened Benton and himself.

He waited breathlessly for a minute, but heard no sound of moving machinery.

Evidently the pumping station was some distance away.

And possibly the fires were cold under the boilers, and it would take time to make steam.

If this were only true!

He turned to his companion, who crouched behind him, trembling with the anticipation of the fate that impended.

"We must get out of this," said Jack. "We can do nothing here. Come ahead."

"But where?" whispered Benton. "You said the pipe ended in a pump cylinder."

"So it does," said Jack, "but there may be some chance. There is none here. Come on."

Taking Big Risks

He led the way up the pipe. It ended suddenly.

"I thought so," said Jack; "here is where it goes into the cylinder. See, there is a swinging valve here. It swings outward."

He felt in the dark for the rim of the great brass disk.

After an effort he managed to loosen it and swung it slowly back, thrusting his head through the aperture.

"And now what?" said Benton, fearfully.

"And now," said Jack, "if I only get time I will wreck that pump."

He was quick and deft about his work.

There was little time and every moment meant life or death.

He knew that the cylinder must be in the pump station.

Outside he could hear the step of the engineer, and the sound of hissing steam told him that the boilers were already fired.

Quickly he dropped one of the bombs on the bottom of the cylinder, lighted it, and backed out of the chamber of death.

Had the plunger started while he was there he would have been crushed flat against the end of the cylinder.

But happily steam had not yet been made sufficiently to start the pump.

The spitting of the fuse lighted the pipe with a ghostly glare.

Jack stopped long enough to shut the valve as he went out and wedge a lead pencil beneath it as he did so, making the danger of the explosion expending itself down the pipe much less.

Then he backed away for a hundred feet, driving the worried Benton along, and waited.

Free at Last

There was a noise like muffled thunder.

The valve flew open and let a cloud of gas and smoke race over the heads of the men in the pipe, but the main charge had done its work.

The pumping station was strewn with fragments of broken cast iron.

The pump itself was completely torn away from the end of the pipe and a welcome flood of daylight and fresh air came down to tell Jack and his companion how successful had been their experiment.

"Now is our time," said Jack jubilantly. "That explosion has driven the rascals out of the station if there is anything left of them. Come quick before the place catches fire."

He scrambled rapidly forward, and soon found himself standing among the wreck of the smashed machinery.

There was no one in the station, which was filled with fragments of cast iron and twisted pipes.

"We did for them that time," said Jack, "and we've finished operations underground for good and all. They can never flood nor drain that tunnel again with machinery, and it must have taken them years to build it. The end of it as a place of refuge is coming right along."

"But how about the others?" asked Benton.

"I have not forgotten them, old man," said Jack, "and I didn't forget them when I blew up this engine of destruction.

"We still have a passage through the pipe, and it can't be used as a man trap any longer. And if there's anything left of the cave we can go down and excavate it as soon as we get a working force. But first we must find what enemies we have to cope with up here."

"You will not have to hunt long for that," said a sneering voice.

Jack looked up.

"Bill Burgess," he exclaimed.

"Yes," said a man who was lounging carelessly in the doorway. "Your old friend, Bill Burgess, who has signed with Mister Hunston for quite a while."

"And what are you going to do?" inquired Jack.

"Well, in the first place, I'm going to inquire what right you have to smash our machinery, and if you don't explain good and proper the Chink here will probably draw and quarter you."

He jerked his thumb over his shoulder.

Jack saw a huge Chinaman, standing fully seven feet high, right behind the engineer, holding in each hand a six-shooter.

TO BE CONTINUED.

HELP TO SOLVE THE CHRISTMAS PRESENT PROBLEM

Cash Prize Every Day for Best Hints and Suggestions on What to Buy and What to Make.

JOIN the BOSTON AMERICAN'S Christmas Present Mutual Aid Society. You will get valuable hints for Xmas. And you will help others. Everybody, just now, is facing questions like these:

What shall I buy my best girl for Christmas?

What would my young man like best?

What shall I get for mother?

What is most suitable for father?

What shall I give grandma?

What shall I get for baby, sister or brother?

How shall I get presents for the whole family for $5?

What Christmas gifts shall I make at home?

Well—now let's us put our heads together and see if we can't help ourselves and others, too, in this little difficulty.

Every day, from now until Christmas, the BOSTON AMERICAN will give a cash prize of $2 for the best suggestions for Christmas gifts. Write a letter to "Santa Claus," 80-82 Summer street, Boston, answering any or all of the questions given above. Make your letter short and to the point. Write on one side only of the paper. New ideas are what count.

Letters will be published and by this means ideas will be exchanged; you will aid others and you will be aided yourself. And you may win a $2 prize.

Here are a few of the letters received by Santa Claus this morning:

BURN THE GIFTS

I WOULD suggest that the best way to make five dollars go the farthest for Christmas is as follows:

You can buy a good pyrography outfit for two dollars, or two and a half. Then you can buy handkerchief boxes for fifteen cents and glove boxes for eighteen or twenty cents. Wherever you buy your outfit you are given three full lessons and also one with every dollar's worth of wood.

When these articles are burned they make handsome presents. If you choose you can put in a lining of some silk or satin of light color that you may have in the house. Handkerchief, glove and jewelry boxes are very useful as well as ornamental.

MISS VERA E. STEARNS.
No. 70 Walton park, Melrose Highlands.

LOTS TO PICK FROM

HERE are my suggestions for Christmas gifts:

For best girl, gloves, box of candy, or a bottle of perfume; for young man, necktie, arm elastics, or a pretty black muffler; for mother, pair stockings, a pretty dust cap, or a nice afternoon apron; for father, slippers, umbrella, or a pocket book; for grandma, shawl, apron, or a warm underskirt; for sister, a pretty stock, a belt, or a box of writing paper; for brother, sweater, skates, or a nice game.

M. A. REDDING.
No. 5 Pearl street, Lynn.

SLED FOR BROTHER

WITH $5 I should buy:

Young man, gold engraved cuff links	$2.50
Mother, centre piece for sitting room table, cost of materials	.50
Father, two warm night shirts	1.00
Grandma, warm woolen gloves	.50
Little brother, sled	.49
Total	4.99

If I were not limited to $5 I would buy: Best girl, furs or ring; my young man, silk muffler, scarf pin or shirt stud; mother, black petticoat; father, a bath robe; grandma, warm dressing sacque or house wrapper; brother, rocking horse or puzzle blocks; sister, furs, picture book, overshoes; baby, drawer leggings, ivory rattle.

I shall make my mother's gift at home, for mother will like my handiwork better than any money can buy.

OLIVE C. O'NEIL.
No. 23 London street, East Boston.

MAKE NEAT BUNDLES

HERE are a few suggestions that may help some of your readers:

Father, a year's subscription for some paper or magazine that he likes very much.

Mother, neckwear, gloves or china (most every mother is fond of china).

Sister, a cozy corner for her doll or a set of jewelry for the doll.

Brother, a set of carefully chosen books, linen handkerchiefs and ties are always acceptable.

Auntie, a pretty basket filled with her favorite kind of candy.

Best girl, gloves, jewelry, a writing tablet, a neck piece or muff.

Young man, smoking jacket, gloves, or collar and cuff case with monogram.

No matter how simple a gift you may give to any member of the family or friends outside, if it is tied up daintily with pretty red ribbon and a Xmas card enclosed, this will make the gift seem far better than a more expensive gift tied up carelessly. I don't think that everyone realizes what an impression a dainty little package makes upon the receiver.

MISS G. BROWN.
No. 52 South Russell street, Boston.

PATRONIZE THE JAIL.

LET us this Christmas do good to the unfortunate. Write to the chaplain of State Prison for beautiful carved bone work, either inlaid with pearl or not, penholders, crochet hooks, fancy toy chairs, pincushions, fancy inlaid boxes, beautiful canes, leather or paper, on steel rods, inlaid checker boards, sewing sets, spool-holders, leather belts, pocketbooks and other fancy leather work.

These goods are made by life men who can get no butter or other holiday goods unless they make a sale.

J. A. W.
No. 149 Vine street, Everett.

A WEDDING RING

Father, carpet slippers	$ .25
Mother, gloves	.25
Sister, handkerchiefs	.25
Brother, skates	.65
Baby, rattle	.10
Best girl, wedding ring	3.00
Total	$5.00

EVERETT WHITE.
No. 59 Powhatan st., Providence, R. I.

INEXPENSIVE GIFTS

I HAVE thought the matter over carefully and have decided on the list below for useful and inexpensive Christmas gifts.

For my best girl, a standing work basket; for my young man, a gold stickpin, lover's knot, or a pearl pin; for mother, pair black woolen gaiters; for father, an umbrella or a cane; for grandma, bed socks to wear cold nights; for baby sister, a bell rattle, or picture book; for baby brother, worsted reins, or stocking cap.

ANNIE L. ROGERS.
No. 55 School street, Quincy.

LIKE A WHOLE BAND

MY suggestions for Christmas gifts will commence with dear old grandma, who will receive the latest book, a nice box of candy and a bouquet of flowers.

For grandpa a new pipe and tobacco, warm mittens and a magnifying glass to aid his sight, which is failing.

For mamma an ice cream set, which she has wanted, and a centrepiece of white linen, hand embroidered.

Papa needs a new shaving mug and a pair of slippers.

Then Fred wants one of the new drums that sounds like a whole band, a pair of skates and a printing outfit.

Of course Bess wants a doll and a tea set, also candy and nuts and a rattle. Then there is a woolly lamb for the baby.

MRS. D. J. EGAN.
No. 34 Topliff street, Dorchester.

Yesterday's Prize Winner

MISS CORA E. RYLEY,

No. 346 Saratoga Street, East Boston.

Hearst's Boston American Pattern

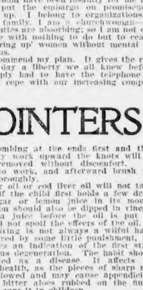
A Fitted Corset Cover and French Drawers

Nos. 2,010 and 2,011—The woman of fashion is very fastidious about the fit of her underwear. At the present day, when every line of the figure is weighed in the scale of perfection, Milady cannot afford to wear ill-fitting undergarments to mar the fit of her gowns. The woman of full figure appreciates especially a set of underwear which does not add to her appearance of largeness. A woman often marvels at the perfect fit of another's gowns and wonders why she does not look as well. The reason is here—one wears perfectly fitted underwear and does not permit even a wrinkle or shirr to spoil her appearance. The other wears shirrs and gathers, bands and buttons about her waist—is it strange that there is a difference of an inch or two at the wrong place? Darts fit the corset cover and drawers at the waist, and while of excellent shaping they are also very comfortable wearing garments. They may be trimmed in any preferred manner. Victoria lawn, Mazalea, muslin, nainsook and cambric being materials most used for underwear. The medium size calls for four yards of 36-inch material.

Pattern No. 2,010 is in sizes, 32 to 40 inches bust.

Pattern No. 2,011 is in sizes, 20 to 30 inches waist.

Send 10 cents to obtain one of these patterns, or 20 cents for both, postpaid, and the size, name and address to HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN PATTERN DEPT., P. O. Box 230, Boston, Mass.



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NEW COMEDY AND OLD TRAGEDY AT THE THEATRE

SOTHERN PLAYS ROMEO BETTER THAN BEFORE

To see E. H. Sothern play Romeo to Julia Marlowe's Juliet is a rare treat at any time. To have seen them play it at the Hollis Street Theatre last evening was a delight. Their production has been greatly improved over that of last year, there is more understanding in their work. It is less labored and more perfect.

One result of the careful study which Mr. Sothern gives to all his parts is his really amazing success in his "make-up." So clever was it, in fact, last evening, that he had been upon the stage several minutes before the majority of the audience recognized him. Not so with Miss Julia Marlowe. She spoked just the same as she has in every part she has played for years. She never seems the young and beautiful girl one expects to see, but the more matured woman, with Miss Marlowe's commendable and affectation, such as tilting her lip, holding her head upon one side, and the sudden gasping for breath is intended to portray anxiety.

But when one begins to her, all is forgotten in her enchanting inflection, her wonderful expression, her perfect enuncia tion. There is a wide limit to her trained.

Again was demonstrated the strength of the company with which Mr. Sothern and Miss Marlowe always surround them selves. No better Mercutio than that of Mr. Lewis, or Tybalt than that of Fred Eric have ever been seen here.

"Romeo and Juliet" is to be on till on Tues day and Wednesday evenings, while for the balance of the week will be given "The Merchant of Venice." Because of the de mand for more of Twelfth Night," an extra matinee of this play will be given to morrow afternoon.

MRS. FISKE ENDS HER FIRST YEAR OF 'LEAH'

Beginning of Mrs. Fiske's second week in "Leah Kleschna" and the completion of the first year of her performance of this immensely popular play were the events at the Tremont Theatre yesterday, which a "capacity" audience witnessed. Mrs. Fiske first produced it at the Manhattan Theatre, New York, on December 12, 1904, so that to-night's performance will be the first anniversary of the beginning of one of the memorable successes of the American Theatre.

Mrs. Fiske has been acting it ever since, and will continue to do so for the rest of her present tour, but [illegible] to say her only this week and next. The performance is a triumph from every viewpoint. No one can fail to be interested in the powerful story, which is told with such a wealth of dramatic splendor.

WILDE PLAY A HIT AT CASTLE SQUARE

Quite a change this week at the Castle Square is the modern English "Windermere's Fan," in contrast to the good old heroics which have been much in the ascendancy during past months or so.

And the metamorphosis of the favorites of the stock company into the personages of present day inner circles of high London society proved an agreeable and a popular change.

So well did Oscar Wilde's famous—in deed, once so notorious—play "take" with the first night audience, that one is tempted to wonder why it has never before been presented by a stock company at popular prices.

The company proved eminently equal to the demands of the play. Lillian Lambert as Lady Windermere, handled the difficult role as pleasing as masterfully. Charles Mackay plays Lord Windermere. John Craig is Lord Darlington. Alfred Hickman plays Lord Augustus Lorton and Leonora Bradley appears well suited to the role of Mrs. Erlynn.

FAME FOR HUNT IN 'A CROWN OF THORNS'

Jay Hunt's new four-act comedy drama called "A Crown of Thorns" won favor and fame for the author from two large audiences at the Bowdoin Square Theatre yesterday. It is a play with many startling qualities and attractive scenic features, one of which is a picturesque revolving water wheel, with an old mill in a dense woodland after a snow storm. Cleverly contrived interest and laudable virtues are also shown effectively with new scenery.

The drama has a story of heart interest which begins with an elopement to America from England of Lord Ashmead with a sweet girl of the middle class. All the complexities of the case are capable and painstaking, and Miss Hunt is particularly well suited to the strong leading characters which she creates. Mr. Hilliard as the daring and devoted lover, and Messrs. Haviland and Bunce are strong in the comedy roles assumed by them.

PARISIAN WIDOWS CROWD THE PALACE

That clever band of comedians and pretty girls, the "Parisian Widows" company, began a week's engagement at the Palace theatre yesterday, and crowded the house at both performances. The first part is called "The Carnival at Monte Carlo," while the burlesque is entitled "A Day at Camp." The closing skit introduces the girls in stunning military costumes.

The olio presents Bonna and Kearney, two clever Irish comedians; the Sullivan sisters, Ovsley and Randall, the three musical Kettons and Bonna and Nelson, the best Hebrew and Italian comedians in the business.

CHARMION AMAZES BIG HOWARD CROWD

If you have never seen Charmion, of course you must have heard of her. If you have never before seen or heard, you have now well posted in vaudeville affairs, charmion is the queen of them all, and Charmion is the headline feature of the Old Howard bill this week.

Her disrobing feature is amazing to the unsophisticated, but amusing and artistic. She gives away souvenirs.

There are other strong headline features. Emil Hoch, Jane Elton and company, Leonard Tinsper and her four black kids, John S. Gilbert, Dolly Jardon, Frank and Lillie Seek, with their acrobatic dog Tuff, John Delmore and Emily Durrell, Balancing Stevens, Beadle, the magician; Allaire and Lind, Connelly and Rowe, and the Howard-scope complete the ollo.

LAST ADE COMEDY IS FIRST AID FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM BLUES

Even the Man With a Chronic Grouch Is Cheered Up by "Just Out of College."

Here are some of the jokes in George Ade's latest comedy, "Just Out of College," produced at the Park Theatre last ening:

Mason—Were you ever in love.

Pickering—I'm married, ain't I? You've seen Mrs. Pickering.

Mason—That's why I asked you if you'd ever been in love.

Swinger—Do you know, Mr. Pickering, you have Caroline's eyes. It's wonderful.

Mason—Probably on account of their being related.

Pickering—Have you ever done any work?

Swinger—Yes, at home before I went to college I used to pick cherries.

Pickering—Young man, when I was your age I was working twelve hours a day and getting $6 a week.

Swinger—Perhaps you weren't worth any more than that. It was fair times to work for $6. If you were worth less than that you were cheating the man.

Swinger—Why did you marry him?

Mrs. Jones—I don't know. I had a cat, it died and I was lonesome.

Pickering—I don't want my daughter to throw herself away on some chump who can't support her.

Swinger—I may be a chump, but I'll support her all right. I see so many chumps supporting women these days that it looks to me like a cinch.

Swinger—You asked me why was Adam climbing the tree to pick the apple like Bingo home-made pickles? That's easy. It's because he was put by a woman.

Swinger—Is he in the pickle business, too?

Jones—Why, he's the head of the trust —they call him the Pickle King.

Swinger—Funny his daughter told me he sold condiments.

News stand Girl—So you don't like Marie Cahill? I wonder where you are from. I expect you're an Englishman. I know all about American actresses. I don't use much stock in this man, William Dean Howells. You read and read and read, and there is never anything doing. Not a real plot to his love stories. I think there's something the matter with him. He don't strike any gait at all. Do you know the author I really love. Oh, he's just grand. He writes like a man who knows what he is talking about. You can't say there's nothing doing in his stories. You get busy and go it hog, skip and jump from the first to the last chapter. I read his books all night. Can't you guess who it is you can't? Well, now, I know you're English. It's Richard Harding Davis. I just love him. I could kiss him a thousand times.

Did I ever see him? Of course I have. He buys all of his reading matter at my stand. He always takes the 4 o'clock train. He's the grandest of all the living authors I think.

Don't you think Bernard Shaw is very clever. I don't ever know what he is talking about, but I think he is awfully clever.

Jones—I'm in the hands of Octopus.

Swinger—An octopus has no hands. It has ticklers.

When the first curtain had just gone up and the statuesque Gibson girl stenographer made her first entrance, everybody laughed. When the last curtain had gone down to go down, and everybody but Biggsy, Carrie and Aunt Julia had left the stage for the last exit, everybody laughed.

Between those periods—a matter of something like two hours and a quarter—everybody laughed most of the time.

Its humor caught a big house from start to finish, and kept it laughing all the while. A couple of nice, quiet laughter that accompanies some comedies, but the hearty, uproarious kind.

"Just Out of College" isn't another "Old-fashioned Widow," but it is good enough to be worth the price of admission. It is another of the same sort, in the "Peck's Bad Boy" line. It marches a procession of types across the stage, with enough of a plot to hold the interest, enough of complicated situations to keep the mind on the jump following them, and enough smart dialogue to get such laugh started just after the one before it has come to an end.

The dialogue is the true Ade flavor. Ade can make a joke without apparently trying, and most of them ring true to real life.

Such types are not new, but they are entertaining. There is the fresh youth just out of college—Joseph Wheelock, Jr., gets everything out of the part there is in it, and there is a good deal. There is an apostle of repose—he might be the part for Robert W. Chambers's "Iole"—and George H. Trader impersonates him well. There is an aunt from Duluth—Mrs. F. A. Eberle makes much of the small part. There is a disdainful stenographer, Blanche Stoddard. There is the irascible head of the pickle trust, Eugene Jepson, and a "candid girl friend," Georgie Meadows, and a female business man, Mabel Amber. And there is a young woman down on the bill only as "a news stand girl," Elene Foster, who has a bench of the bright lines, and says them as well, as anybody in the piece. And there are a lot of others, all of whom help in getting the laughs.

BEGIN LAST WEEK OF "AS YE SOW" HERE

Last night's performance at the Majestic Theatre began the last week of "As Ye Sow" in this city. The Rev. John Snyder's play, telling so graphically the story of the trials and joys of a poor but honest family, has played an exceedingly successful engagement of nearly three months. It closes on Saturday, Dec. 23. Every performance has been crowded by an enthusiastic audience.

"As Ye Sow" will be taken to New York City, where it will open at the Garden Theatre on Christmas Day. The week which will elapse will be utilized in fitting the elaborate scenery to the stage of the Garden Theatre and in getting the realistic thunder and lightning and rain storm effects in perfect working order. The play is regarded by famous and requires no end of mechanical effects.

There are but five more evening presentations and two matinee performances to-morrow and Saturday, before this best of local dramas closes its engagement, and the last opportunities for witnessing it will be gone.

NEWS OF THE STAGE.

Ibsen's "Ghosts" is to be given a performance by the Russian players in the Hilton Theatre to-morrow night that will attract the dramatic and artistic interests from Cambridge and surrounding cities. These Russian players are attracting much attention among Harvard University's people and they are soon to produce a play in modern Theatre.

3 TO 5 YEARS FOR PLUMMER.

Charles A. Plummer, assistant paymaster of the Blake Pump Works, East Cambridge, has been sentenced to not less than three and not more than five years at state prison by Judge Hadley in the Superior Court. Plummer stole $37,000 during his ten years with the firm.

KATHERINE GILMAN, THE LEADING LADY OF "JUST OUT OF COLLEGE."

BULLFROG NOW IN 'WIZARD OF OZ' CAST

"The Wizard of Oz," which has been running along quietly and prosperously at the Boston Theatre for the last two weeks, began its farewell week last night before a rapidly-growing enthusiastic audience, one which filled the big playhouse to overflowing.

A novel feature of last night's performance, which won instant appreciation and evoked roars of laughter, was the humor ous song by Miss Grace Cartier, entitled "The Bullfrog and the Coon," in which George Ramon impersonated the frog.

"IF I WERE KING" IS ON ITS LAST WEEK

Second and last week of Justin McCarthy's romantic play, "If I Were King," was most successfully begun at the Empire Theatre with yesterday's performance, both of which attracted large audiences.

The plans for the season prevent the continuance of this play beyond the present week. In order that Mary Hall may further engagement to appear with E. H. Sothern at the Actors' Fund Benefit next Friday afternoon Mary Sanders has consented to appear as Katherine at the Empire on that occasion. Next Monday the Empire company will be seen in William Gillette's adaptation from the French, "Because She Loved Him So."

FUND BENEFIT TO BE BIG BARGAIN

Next Friday afternoon there will be the greatest benefit entertainment ever given in Boston, to aid the Actors' Fund of America. The list of stars playing in Boston this week is unusually strong, and all are generously volunteering, so that the public may find the biggest theatrical bargain of the season when they visit the Colonial Theatre on that afternoon. Mrs. Fiske and her company will appear, also E. H. Sothern and Mary Hall, in the comedy scene from "Trilby"; Joseph Wheelock, Jr., and his company, in an act of "Just Out of College"; Harrison Ford and the Rogers Brothers; Ethel Barrymore and Frederick Perry; the Rogers Brothers in Panama"; James J. Morton, George Wilson, Lew Hearn, Sisters, the most popular and strong vaudeville attractions from this country.

CHADWICK TRIAL LYCEUM BURLESQUE

At Reed's big show is the attraction at the Lyceum Theatre this week, and yesterday there was a very large audience to greet this well-known burlesque player and his troupe. The entertainment began with a burlesque entitled "The Chadwick Trial," including many new songs and dances. The leading burlesque was entitled "Wharf Fun" and was very good.

In the olio were Maggie Hilton and Emma Zeith; Destello Sisters; New York Newsboys' Quartette and Nelson Farmer Troupe, comedy acrobatic artists.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

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Joseph Murphy scored his annual hit at the Globe yesterday in "Kerry Gow." For nearly a quarter of a century Mr. Murphy has been seen in this popular play, and none of the other Irish dramas ever sown to the public has held such a close position to the hearts of the people as has "Kerry Gow." Mr. Murphy is even better than ever before, and although his voice lacks the force of former years, in no other respect does he show the strain of his long period of service on the stage.

'EYE WITNESS' REACHES CLIMAX IN SENSATIONS

Climax in melodramatic sensations has been reached by Lincoln J. Carter, for if he can promise a more exciting one than "The Eye Witness" he has a hard job cut out for him. "The Eye Witness" was produced at the Grand Opera House last evening in an immense audience that fairly stood on tiptoe.

It is simultaneously staged, and one of the cleverest pieces of stage craft is seen in the third act, when the villain attempts to drown the heroine, weighting her body with stones, he has her thrown into the river, and in full view of the audience she is seen to sink to the bottom; the hero, who happens on the spot at that moment, dives after her and is seen descended to the bottom, cut the weights from the girl's body and bring her to the surface and safety.

Another exciting situation is the hair-raising automobile effect in the fourth act. The hero, in a great red automobile, is trying to run down the villain, who is on a train; the villain attempts to stop him by having the bridge lifted, the bridge especially failing to bribe the bridge tender, he overpowers him and himself takes charge of the bridge, but is just a moment too late, and before the huge bridge has time to close, the hero has run his automobile, Ted Lucid, up the incline and with a great leap has cleared the chasm, the wheels just touching on to its destination. But the last and best effort in the most exciting play that's been produced in Boston for many a day is the stupendous cyclone scene in the last act, showing the effects of the wind in all its fury. The air seems literally alive with debris. Lee and realistic stage effect of the kind ever produced.

ROGERS BROS. ARE GOOD FOR THE BLUES

Ireland is the first spot yet visited by the Rogers brothers since they started out on their personally conducted tours under the auspices of Lew Fields Klaw and Erlanger and piloted by that versatile author, John J. McNally. Paris and London had their attractions, but Ireland seems them all, and the bishops with bill on exhibition at the Colonial Theatre just at present are in good company. The scene of action could not be imagined. There was a splendid audience last evening and the applause was the second and last week but one of the engagement opened.

PAT REILLY WINS AT COLUMBIA THEATRE

Two biggest Monday audiences of the season, and easily the jolliest entertainment of the year, were at the Columbia Theatre yesterday. There was a feast of fun, music and pretty girls and that in comparatively small doses. Pat Reilly and jovial Pat leads the Reilly and Woods big show, which is this year stronger, everything considered, better than ever.

There is an olio of exceptional merit, in which Ida and Fritz Emmett are headliners.

This evening all the election returns will be read from the stage.

FAMOUS FREAKS AT AUSTIN & STONE'S

Russian Cossacks, the famous freak family of Georgia, and Montana Jack and his wife, the famous knife throwers, formed a trio of attractions that drew thousands yesterday to Austin & Stone's Museum. Georgia Freaks are so called because of their peculiar markings in face and white, which show them to be beyond any doubt possibly of contradiction the limit of nature's handiwork. Prescott, the king of magic and Hartley, the musical genius, contributed pleasing numbers to a show of general excellence.

MANY WINNERS ON THIS WEEK'S BILL AT KEITH'S

While there are not a great many novelties on the bill offered at Keith's this week, almost every act is a winner. There is variety, and after all variety is not only the spice of life, it creates interest. That's what people go to the theatre for in this day and generation. There are several acts which could be headliners, more than several which have been unpublished. There were good numbers, the program was varied enough to suit anyone, and each act was meritorious.

The Dillons, sisters, are clever talking furnished enough fun for an evening's entertainment anywhere, and Morton, one of the ultimate gags, which they spring in a particularly pleasing manner. James J. Morton was as clever as usual in his monologue, which was followed by Clark and Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stewart established themselves as favorites in Boston by their sketches. The Musical Johnsons, Jim Whitehead and Sylvano as an equilibrist are worthy of honorable mention, while the Les Jacksons, clever singers and Gaertin novelty jumper, John F. Clark, Gertrude Hoffman, Mortons, Ivan and Morton, vocalists and dancers, Gardner Trio, Mile. and Mr. Gardner Cranes, in their playlet, "A Yankee's Love for Dixie," finished the artistic features of the performance, which was one of the most highly received excellent treatment, and made one of the best bills of the season. Ed Lee Heard, the ventriloquist, with his many mechanical figures, was the second hearty hit was a novel act, and one of the best of its kind seen in Boston for many a day.

MIDDLESEX BAR ELECTS OFFICERS

The Bar Association of the County of Middlesex, at its annual meeting, elected the following offices: President, Samuel K. Hamilton, Wakefield; vice-president, George F. Richardson, Lowell; Secretary, Frank M. Forbush, Newton Centre; treasurer, Robert F. Clapp, Lexington; members of the council for three years, Walter Adams, Framingham; Gilbert A. Perry, Cambridge; John W. Johnson, Woburn; George C. Travis, Newton; Charles F. Worcester, Ayer.

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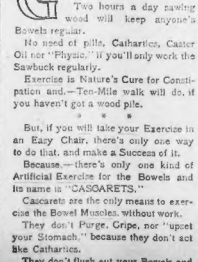

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The Boys and the Tar-Barrel Bonfire

A Little Sermon on Sacrifice, from Real Life

Over in East Boston, where there are vacant blocks and bonfires are possible, some boys heaped a pile of rubbish on a tar barrel, lit it with a match and stood watching it burn with grave pleasure.

Have you ever noticed how serious little boys are when any great enterprise of play is going on? There was not a smile on one small face, not a chuckle or peal of laughter to be heard.

With patient labor and much pains they had accumulated the material for the bonfire. Now that it was an accomplished fact, they regarded it with the same thoughtful pride displayed by an engineer who is gazing at a newly finished bridge, or a sculptor looking proudly at his completed statue.

As the fire was at its height, and the delightful black smoke was rolling heavily from the points of the dancing red flames, a withered old Italian woman, balancing a load of lumber on her head, and followed by a thin-legged little girl, passed along the sidewalk.

The old woman stopped, and a look of sorrow crossed her wrinkled face as she saw all the good fuel turning into smoke.

But the little girl's face expressed no sorrow. Regarding boys as her natural enemies, she looked at this particular group of them as if they were incendiaries.

Presently, dropping the few sticks she had gathered, she ran among them, and, raising her thin little voice to a scream, cried:

"Stop it! Stop it! We need it to keep the freeze away."

The boys were first astonished; then indignant.

They were about to drive the child away, when one of them saw the mother, still bearing the heavy load on her head, looking at the fire from the sidewalk.

"They need it worse than we do, fellers," he said, and, walking up to the fire, he began pulling out the sticks that he could reach.

Then the other boys followed his example, and soon all that was left of the blazing bonfire was the smoldering remains of the tar barrel, while the little girl quickly gathered up the rescued fuel and bore it triumphantly away.

You do not need to go to East Boston to see old women and children staggering along under loads of firewood they have collected by hours of patient labor.

On the streets of the North End, on Hanover street, even on Boylston street and Massachusetts avenue, they plod along, trying to care for their children through the Winter in defiance of men who say that the coal fields were given to them and their kind by Divine Providence.

Wherever new building is going on, they are out, early and late, thankful to the carpenters who allow them to carry away the useless scraps and odds and ends that would have to be carted away.

On your way to your work in the morning or to the theatre at night, they pass you—the gray old heads bent beneath unwieldy piles of boards, the eyes bent dully on the ground, and the minds busy with problems of self-preservation IN A LAND OF PLENTY.

We need not make any moral for this story. Self-sacrifice is beautiful always. It is doubly beautiful when its object is to help the poor and unfortunate.

And the little boys who gave up their bonfire to supply a little more fuel for the little girl and her mother made more real sacrifice than John D. Rockefeller does when he gives away the millions he doesn't need, and from which he cannot even gain an extra few hours of pleasure.

Lessons in Municipal Ownership

XXXIII.

Watered Stock and Inflated Capital

By Prof. Frank Parsons

A PUBLIC PLANT does not water or inflate its capital. A private monopoly usually waters its manifolds as well as its animate stock, and is often puffed out with wind, or gases generated by decayed or decomposing capital not properly eliminated from the system. The tendency to flatulence and dropsy is in the family.

The capitalization resting directly and indirectly on Boston gas has been known to rise as high as $86 per thousand of output, or more than twenty times the actual investment and twenty-eight times the fair investment for this field.

The water in the stock values of the Philadelphia street railways was estimated a few years ago at 7 to 1, and for some of the component lines much more. For the Thirteenth and Fifteenth street lines it figured out 19 to 1, considering the relation between stock values and amounts paid in; 10 to 1 for the Ridge avenue; 16 to 1 for the Citizens, etc.

In Chicago the Illinois Labor Bureau found that the stock of some of the street railways was all water—that is to say, the bonds fully covered the cost of the plant. For example, the Chicago & Jefferson, $1,000,000, all water; the Chicago Electric Transit, $1,500,000, all water; the North Side Electric, $1,500,000, all water; the North Chicago Electric, $2,000,000, all water; the Cicero & Proviso, $2,500,000 stock, all water.

It is very different with utilities that are owned by the people. The Richmond gas works paid for themselves long ago, Professor Bemis says. The Jacksonville electric works in the first two years saved the people in reductions and net profits from commercial and public lighting more than the whole cost of the plant.

An enlightened public policy in such cases aims at the extinction of capital debt. The municipal street railways of Liverpool are worth now over $5,000,000 more than their capitalization, and in about twenty-three years will have extinguished their capital debt.

A comparison of the leading English cities having municipal gas works with an equal number of cities of similar size and condition having private works shows for the municipal works a capitalization of $2.06 per thousand of output, less fifty-seven cents paid off or in sinking funds, leaving a net capital of $1.49 per thousand, against $2.64 per thousand for the private companies.

Even under the stringent and well-enforced English laws against overcapitalization, the private gas capitalization is 80 per cent. above the capitalization on which the charges of city works are based.

Public ownership tends to limit capitalization to actual investment, and tries to reduce the outstanding capital as fast as is reasonably possible, so as ultimately to eliminate interest charges from the cost of the service.

The tendency of many private monopolies, on the other hand, is to expand capitalization and produce a wide difference between real values and their stocks and bonds.

The monopolists seem to think that capital has eternal life, and even when it dies before their eyes they will not bury it. They will tear out a horse railroad, for example, and throw the whole thing away, replacing it with an electric system, and yet keep the horse line capital on their books and expect the people to pay dividends on it for all time.

The managers of the big public service corporations in the country appear to have been mostly farmers or dairymen, who got used to watering stock and putting aqueous fluid into bovine extract that the habit stayed with them in their new employment.

Vanderbilt, however, who was our pioneer water financier on a large scale, appears to have absorbed the idea from the steamboat business, in which he made his first millions, and in which he found water a very valuable element.

He introduced 50 per cent. of water into the stock of the Hudson railroad at a stroke, then added 80 per cent. to the New York Central, and soon afterward consolidated the two roads, with 27 per cent. more inflation for the Central and 85 per cent. for the Hudson.

In the course of a few years, under his fostering care, 177 per cent. of water was injected into the Hudson stock and 230 per cent. into the Central. And his illustrious example has been numerously followed both by national and municipal monopolists.

Some of his imitators have gone far beyond the Commodore. Boston gas, for example, has beaten the Vanderbilt record all to pieces. A Delaware experimenter infused about 600 per cent. of water into one Boston company at a single injection, and a few years ago the gas capitalization resting on the Boston works was inflated over 2,000 per cent.

Things are better now, but our gas capital, including the share of the coke company's capital that fairly belongs under Boston gas manufacture, still exceeds by several hundred per cent. the proper gas capitalization for this field, or the cost of building a new plant for the 2,500,000,000 feet of consolidated output.

Some people may think it perfectly natural that gas capital should be inflated, and it seems to be so in many American cities, but under municipal management here and abroad no inflation has occurred.

And where, as in England, the Government has a strong grip on the monopolies, and the public ownership movement is vigorous enough to make the companies behave themselves for fear of benevolent assimilation, there is comparatively little excess capital and practically no "watered" stock even in the big private works.

The methods of injecting water into corporate capital are various. One of the most effective is the construction dodge copied from the railways and sometimes used most skilfully in the building of municipal monopolies.

Let me give you an inch and a half of history from the records of the Bay State Gas—but I see we shall have to adjourn the discussion.

AREN'T MEN THE WRETCHES?

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1—*MRS. SNOOKS—John, mother wishes you to go with her to the dentist's to have a tooth pulled. MR. SNOOKS (aside)—Heavens, what a job! I MUST get out of THIS somehow.*

2—*MR. SNOOKS—Oh joy! Oh joy! Now I'll get even. Did ever a man have such a chance at his mother-in-law? Oh, to see that dentist get his blood-curdling forceps out! To see that cold, cruel-looking lance in his hands—*

3—*MR SNOOKS—And when he gets that fearful grip on her tooth. Ah! And to hear that long, grinding, twisting, crunching pull. To see——*

4—*MRS. SNOOKS—John Snooks! You BRUTE! You MONSTER! You shall NOT go with mother. No, not if you plead on your bended knees. NO! NO! NO! I shall go with her myself. Do you understand? You shall NOT go.*

RHYMO THE MONK

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When He Was Young He Was the Best of Six Day Racers, East or West

WHEN THE WORLD IS YOUNG

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"De copper on de corner just paid me er lubly compliment, fellers."

"What was it?"

"He said I had er mug jest exactly like Red Mike's, one of de greatest safe crackers de world has ever seen."

"Is dat real fur, Mamie, wot youse got around yer neck?"

"Sure! Do I look like de sort of person wot would wear er imeetation?"

KID ON THE GROUND—Why don't youse go to'en yer hear yer mudder calling yer?"

A Problem as Old as Human History

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory

FROM a pretty little Vermont town there has come to this office the following pathetic letter, which I am going to try to answer to the best of my knowledge and ability:

Dear Sir—Will you please answer a question for me?

My father had, all his life through, these two things—a loving heart and a clean life. He tried to uplift men by kindness and sympathy. His words were backed by deeds. Of his money he freely gave to all the unfortunates who came his way.

And yet (the mystery of it!) he had to suffer untold trouble, and died at last of a broken heart, caused by the perfidy of his own nearest blood relative.

Please tell me why God allowed him to suffer in this manner.

The problem presented in this daughter's letter is as old as human history. It is the basis of that grandest of all dramas, the Book of Job, and long before even Job's time men and women were racking their brains over the question, "Why should the good suffer?"

From the viewpoint both of reason and sentiment it would look as though the man whose heart is kind and whose life is clean ought to be permitted to live happily and die in peace.

With such idea there would seem to be nothing at all the matter. If it is not a just and right idea there never was one in the world.

And yet nothing is truer than the fact that from the very beginning those with the largest of hearts and the noblest of lives have been great sufferers, draining the cup of sorrow, in many instances, to the bitter dregs.

Jesus found his cross, while Barabbas was made a hero.

Socrates drank the hemlock, while monsters even in Athens looked on clad in purple and fair from all danger.

Algernon Sidney perished on the scaffold, while George Jeffreys rolled in affluence in the sunshine of the court.

And so it has been from the start—and so, in all likelihood, it will be to the end.

But let us not rashly jump at any false conclusion from this ancient fact.

Virtue has its reward, only we must take care and find out what the reward is.

"Is the reward of virtue bread?" as our old friend, Alexander Pope, long ago put it.

Is the reward of virtue a fine table, fine houses, lands, affluence, applause, pleasure and all that sort of thing?

Thank Heaven, no! It is often the case that Fortune gives all of these things, in full measure, to the meanest and most unworthy of mortals.

But still virtue has its reward, and that reward is none other than the virtue itself—and the glorious feeling of satisfaction that always goes along with it.

The person who does right, whose conscience is clear, who, no matter what the world may think of him, is able to respect himself, and with himself to be at peace, has the happiness that he would not sell for all the gold in all the scoundrels' strong boxes.

He may suffer, but this suffering is all on the outside. Within abides the mighty peace and joy which not all the storms of "outrageous fortune" shall be able to disturb!

In many ways it may "pay" to be selfish and dishonorable, but let it not be forgotten that the tender and the true, the upright and the just, would turn away in scorn from the prizes which offered themselves only at the sacrifice of self-respect, which they consider the crown and glory of existence.

I realize the fact that I am dealing with a tremendously difficult subject, and yet I trust that the daughter up in the Green Mountain State may find something in what I have written to help her, and to cause her to feel just a little less commiseration for the memory of her noble old father.

Thus times do shift—each thing his turn does hold;
New things succeed as former things grow old.
ROBERT HERRICK.

Concerning Chauncey

By James J. Montague

"DOTH Alexander—"Shall I quit? Shall I receive the frozen mitt
From my directors? Not a bit!"
"Nor me!" exclaimed Depew.
"I'll keep my job," said Jimmy Hyde; "I'm quite serenely satisfied
To linger placidly inside."
And Chauncey said: "Me, too."

"Huh! *He* resign!" McCurdy said, "and have to *earn* my daily bread?
Well, not unless I should drop dead!"
"Me, neither," said Depew.
Said Perkins: "What I travel? *What!* Give up the snap that I have got?
And go to work! Well, I think *not!*"
And Chauncey said: "Me, too."

But Alexander changed his mind, and Jimmy Hyde ere long resigned—
McCurdy wasn't far behind;
But Chauncey stuck like glue.
Till Perkins said: "I guess I'll go—this grafting talk annoys one so;
I'd hate to be kicked out, you know."
And Chauncey said: "Me, too."

Ah! Pleasant days! If only Platt could hear somebody murmur, "Scat!"
And be persuaded fully that
The thing he ought to do
Is hasten to some far-off shore, to stay a hundred years or more,
How eagerly we'd listen for
Old Chauncey's soft: "Me, too."

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